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## ABOUT THIS GUIDE

The Nebraska Game and Parks Commission's Fishing Guide is a summary of Nebraska's regulations, orders and statutes pertaining to fishing. It is not intended to be a complete digest of regulations, orders and statutes. A complete listing may be found at:

### Regulations and Orders:

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### Statutes:

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## 2019 SEASON DATES

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# NEW FOR 2019

**Trout** – Species are broken into groups to provide better management and anglers more harvest opportunities.

- Rainbow, tiger and cutthroat trout – daily bag limit of five, of which only one over 16 inches can be included in the bag.
- Brown Trout – daily bag limit of five, of which only one over 16 inches can be included in the bag.
- Brook Trout – daily bag limit of two, of which only one over 12 inches can be included in the daily bag.

**Black Bass** – At the Nebraska Public Power District Tailrace Canal starting at the State Farm Road bridge downstream to the confluence with the South Platte River in Lincoln County, there is no minimum length limit on smallmouth bass but the daily bag limit of five can only have one over 15 inches in the bag.

- Lakes added to the list of waters managed with a 21-inch minimum length limit are Kirkpatrick Memorial Park, Conestoga Lake and Duck Creek Recreation Area.
- Lakes removed from the 21-inch length regulation and now regulated with the statewide 15-inch minimum length are Adams Park Pond, Benson Park Pond, Hanscom Park Pond, Hitchcock Park, Miller Park Pond, Towl Park Pond and Walnut Grove Park Pond.

**Striped Bass Hybrid** – Stagecoach Lake is no longer restricted to a daily bag limit of three.

**Channel Catfish** – Boundaries were clarified for reservoir versus river daily bag limits with Harlan Reservoir being the Highway 183 bridge and Lake McConaughy being the Highway 26 bridge.

**Flathead Catfish** – Catch-and-release restriction on flathead catfish removed at Windmill SRA Lake No. 3, Two Rivers SRA Lakes 3 and 4, Wildwood Lake WMA and Fort Kearny SRA Lake No. 2.

**Walleye, Sauger and Saugeye** – The area covered by the special regulations on Harlan Reservoir was moved downstream from the Highway 46 bridge to the Highway 183 bridge.

**Northern Pike** – The statewide daily bag limit of three includes no more than one fish 34 inches or longer.

- Goose Lake WMA and the Valentine Refuge are now covered by the statewide regulations.
- Grove Lake, Cottonmill Lake, Red Willow Reservoir, Alda DOR, Hershey I-80 Lake, Sherman Reservoir now have a minimum length limit of 34-inches. Enders Reservoir and Maskenthine Reservoir now managed with the statewide regulation.
- Glenn Cunningham Lake has been removed from lakes managed with total catch and release on pike.
- Box Butte Reservoir has a daily bag limit of 10 pike, of which only three pike can be over 22 inches and only one of those can be over 34 inches in length.

**Bullfrog** – West of U.S. Hwy. 81, the season is open year-round, with no minimum length limit and all legal harvest methods legal. The daily bag limit did not change.

**Panfish** – Pelican Lake has a daily bag limit for bluegill of five, of which only one can be 10 inches or longer.

**Mussels** – No harvest of any mussels will be allowed on any river or stream.

**Two Rivers SRA Lake No. 5** – Anglers will be allowed to fish without a trout tag from July 1-Jan. 31.

**Total Catch-and-Release Lakes** – Flanagan Lake is added to the list of total catch-and-release lakes. Spring Lake Park Pond has been removed from this restriction.

**Transportation and Possession** – White perch, black carp, bighead carp, silver carp, grass carp and yellow bass cannot be possessed or transported alive by anglers.

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# FISHING PERMITS

## WHO NEEDS A FISHING PERMIT?

By buying a fishing permit, anglers support Nebraska fisheries management, habitat protection and restoration programs. A Nebraska permit is required of residents and nonresidents age 16 and over. Nonresidents under age 16 need not have a fishing permit if they are accompanied by someone who has a Nebraska fishing permit. A fishing permit is required to take, or attempt to take, fish, bullfrogs, snapping turtles, barred salamanders, or mussels by any legal method. An angler must carry the fishing permit while actively fishing.

## RESIDENT PERMITS

The requirements to qualify as a Nebraska resident to buy a fishing permit:

- Reside in Nebraska continuously for at least 30 days before making application for a permit and intend to become a Nebraska resident.
- Residents in school in another state or stationed outside Nebraska as part of a military assignment that have maintained Nebraska as their state of legal residency.
- Active-duty military personnel and full-time students stationed or attending school in Nebraska for a period of at least 30 days.
- A new resident should be prepared to provide documentation of residency (driver's license, voter registration, etc.) to an officer when in possession of a permit.

## NONRESIDENT PERMITS

A nonresident fishing permit is required of all people who are not Nebraska residents, except those listed above and those under 16 years of age who are accompanied by someone with a Nebraska fishing permit.

## WHEN FISHING PERMIT IS NOT REQUIRED

Owners or their guests fishing on a private water body are not required to have a fishing permit if all of the following apply to that water: 1) is located entirely on private land, 2) is entirely privately stocked, 3) does not connect by inflow or outflow with any other water outside such land, and 4) is not operated on a commercial basis for profit. In addition, any licensed commercial put-and-take operation is exempt from a fishing permit.

## MOBILE PERMITS

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**Fee-Exempt Permits** – These are available to resident veterans who:

- are 50 percent disabled as a result of armed forces service
- receive a pension from the Veterans Administration as a result of a total and permanent disability not incurred in the line of duty while in military service
- obtained fee-exempt permits before Jan. 1, 2006

**Veteran and Senior Permits** – An annual fish/hunt permit is available for resident veterans age 64 and older and residents age 69 and older.

**Special Fishing Permit** – This annual permit is for physically or developmentally disabled residents who cannot cast or retrieve unassisted.

- This entitles the disabled person and one person assisting him or her to take, fish, catch, harvest, or possess any aquatic organism in compliance with state regulations.
- If the person assisting does not have a valid fishing permit, they are restricted to one daily bag limit between the two anglers.
- Disabled person is a person certified by a physician to have a permanent physical impairment or developmental disability that results in the inability to use fishing equipment unassisted.
- Applications are available from Game and Parks district offices and service centers, as well as the Omaha office and Schramm Education Center (formerly Ak-Sar-Ben Aquarium).

**Educational Fishing Project Permit** – This may be obtained by instructors at any university, college, or high school from the Fisheries Division for his/her students, 16 years of age and older who are participating in an educational fishing project.

**Paddlefish Permit** – Required, along with a Nebraska fishing permit, for taking paddlefish by snagging or archery.

**Salvage Permit** – The permit allows for the salvage of fish from selected irrigation canals located in the Platte River, Republican River and Loup River drainages. Applications must be submitted to Game and Parks' North Platte district office or the Kearney service center. Live fish cannot be transported in water from a canal because of the potential for moving diseases and aquatic invasive species. Fish for consumption should be transported on ice.

## PERMIT REVOCATION

Under Nebraska law, hunting and fishing privileges may be revoked for some game law and court-determined violations. This could include certain one-time offenses by individuals or repeated violations by habitual offenders. Any person whose privilege to hunt, fish or harvest fur has been suspended or revoked in another jurisdiction within the United States or Canada also shall be prohibited from obtaining a permit for such activity in Nebraska for the duration of the suspension.

## BORDER WATERS

Anglers holding a Nebraska, South Dakota, Iowa, or Missouri sport fishing license may fish all waters of the Missouri River in the state they are licensed, as well as Missouri River waters of the state immediately across the river.

- Missouri River waters are defined to include all flowing portions and backwaters, sloughs and chutes that draw water from the Missouri River.
- Oxbows and backwaters separated from the Missouri River by land are included if the state boundary line passes through some part of such waters.
- Mouths of tributaries may be fished only in the state that the angler is licensed.
- Anglers may fish from either bank or boats.
- Anglers fishing in the state for which they do not hold a fishing permit must abide by the more restrictive of the two state's regulations.
- Iowa and Missouri resident anglers may fish waters of Hamburg Bend Wildlife Management Area and the Nebraska portion of the Missouri River from the chute entrance (adjacent to Iowa) to the chute exit (adjacent to Missouri).



## PERMIT, ISSUE AND STAMP FEES

**Issue Fees** – A \$3 issue fee is included on all fishing, fish/hunt, and paddlefish permits listed below EXCEPT veteran fish/hunt, senior fish/hunt, disabled, and deployed military permits.

**Stamps** – Aquatic Habitat Stamp included in price of all fishing permits listed below EXCEPT the following that do not require one: paddlefish, veteran fish/hunt, senior fish/hunt, and disabled permits.

### RESIDENT FISH (includes \$3 issue fee, except \*, \*\* includes \$7 nonrefundable application fee)

Fish, annual	\$38	Fish, 5-year	\$132 <sup>3</sup>
Fish/Hunt, annual	\$52	Fish/Hunt, 3-year	\$191 <sup>2</sup>
Fish, 1-day	\$10	Fish/Hunt, 5-year	\$285 <sup>4</sup>
Fish, 3-day	\$31	Fish, lifetime (age 0-15)	\$616
** Paddlefish	\$33	Fish, lifetime (age 16-45)	\$710
*Deployed military, annual	\$5	Fish, lifetime (age 46-over)	\$616
*Veteran Fish/Hunt, annual	\$5	Fish/Hunt, lifetime (age 0-15)	\$859
*Senior Fish/Hunt, annual	\$5	Fish/Hunt, lifetime (age 16-45)	\$1,008
*Special disabled, annual	\$5	Fish/Hunt, lifetime (age 46-over)	\$859
Fish, 3-year	\$90.50 <sup>1</sup>		

### NONRESIDENT FISH (includes \$3 issue fee, \*\* includes \$7 nonrefundable application fee)

Fish, annual	\$76	Fish/Hunt, 3-year	\$480 <sup>2</sup>
Fish/Hunt, annual	\$159	Fish/Hunt, 5-year	\$710 <sup>4</sup>
Fish, 1-day	\$13	Fish, lifetime (age 0-16)	\$929
Fish, 3-day	\$37	Fish, lifetime (age 17-over)	\$1,306
** Paddlefish	\$57	Fish/Hunt, lifetime (age 0-16)	\$1,600
Fish, 3-year	\$192.50 <sup>1</sup>	Fish/Hunt, lifetime (age 17-over)	\$2,391
Fish, 5-year	\$286 <sup>3</sup>		

<sup>1</sup> Includes 3-year Aquatic Habitat Stamp      <sup>2</sup> Includes 3-year Aquatic Habitat Stamp and Habitat Stamp

<sup>3</sup> Includes 5-year Aquatic Habitat Stamp      <sup>4</sup> Includes 5-year Aquatic Habitat Stamp and Habitat Stamp

**NOTE:** Nebraska Waterfowl Stamps may be purchased with 3- and 5-year Fish/Hunt permits

### VEHICLE PARK ENTRY

Nebraska licensed:		Non-Nebraska licensed:	
Annual	\$30	Annual	\$45
Duplicate annual	\$15	Duplicate annual	\$22.50
Daily	\$6	Daily	\$8

Issue fees on park permits may apply.

### BOATING (includes \$2 issue fee)

Nonresident Aquatic Invasive Species Stamp, annual	\$15
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# FISHING REGULATIONS

## HOOK-AND-LINE REGULATIONS

Hook-and-line fishing is allowed year-round throughout the state, except as noted or as posted at an area.

**Definition of a Hook** – One hook means a single, double or treble-pointed hook. All hooks attached to an artificial bait or lure shall be counted as one hook.

**Ponds, Lakes or Reservoirs** – Anglers are limited to no more than two lines, with a maximum of two hooks on each line, with these being any type of attached line (such as rod and reel or fishing pole) on all lakes, ponds or reservoirs or in their inlets, outlets and canals within one-half mile of these bodies of water, with the exception of ice-fishing line limits. This includes Lewis and Clark Lake from Gavins Point Dam upstream to the Santee boat ramp in Knox County.

**Ice-Fishing** – A total of five lines with two hooks on each line are permitted. Each line must be under direct supervision and within unaided observation of the angler. Holes made for ice-fishing may not exceed 10 inches in diameter on any area controlled or managed by Game and Parks, including U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service refuges. A special \$5 permit is required for a permanent shelter on state recreation areas and wildlife management area lakes. Applications and regulations are available from conservation officers or Game and Parks offices. This does not apply to temporary shelters used and removed each day.

**Rivers or Streams** – A total of 15 hooks are allowed, ranging from 15 lines each with a single hook attached, to three lines with a maximum of five hooks attached. These hook-and-line limits apply to anglers who must be one-half mile from any lake, pond or reservoir that is associated with that river or stream. These can be rods and reels, poles, bank lines, limb lines or setlines that are attached to a fixed object in a river, stream or canal and not free-floating. Jug lines are illegal and are defined as a free-floating line that contains fishing hooks entirely supported by flotation. All bank lines and setlines must contain the angler's name, address and fishing-permit number or driver's license number. Set and limb lines must be checked every 24 hours.

**Removal of Bank Lines and Setlines** – Upon completion of fishing, all bank lines and setlines must be removed. Within the boundaries of the Missouri National Recreational River, limb lines and setlines are prohibited within 200 feet of public boat landings or swimming areas.

## SNAGGING

Snagging of paddlefish and nongame fish is permitted only in the Missouri River under season dates and limits specified in the Paddlefish and Snagging of Nongame Fish section. All other state waters are closed to snagging for all species at all times. All fish snagged accidentally or otherwise foul-hooked, must be returned to the water immediately.

## BAG, POSSESSION AND LENGTH LIMITS

Bag and possession limits may vary between "inland waters" and "waters of the Missouri River." For this purpose only:

- "inland waters" include all waters of the state except the waters of the Missouri River
- "waters of the Missouri River" include all of the river along Nebraska's border and all reservoirs, oxbows, sloughs, chutes, backwaters, and marshes that have annual surface water connection to the river and the first 300 yards upstream from the mouth of all tributary streams
- "statewide" includes all inland waters of the state and waters of the Missouri River

**Culling** – Any fish that is not to be counted in the daily bag limit must be returned immediately to the water with as little injury as possible. Any fish placed on a stringer or in a container, or not returned to the water must be counted in the bag. Culling and high-grading are not allowed.

**Daily Bag Limit** – The number of fish harvested from midnight to the following midnight taken by all legal methods combined. No person may possess more than one day's bag limit of fish while on the water.

**Restricted Species** – It is unlawful to possess or transport any live white perch, black carp, silver carp, bighead carp, grass carp or yellow bass.

**Possession Limit** – The total number of fish that a person may possess in portable coolers, home freezers, registered in his/her name in a commercial cold storage locker, or in any way under their control. Fish or aquatic animals placed in public storage or transferred must be labeled with the owner’s name, address, phone number, date of birth, signature, date taken, species and numbers, and the name of recipient, if transferred.

**How to Measure a Fish** – Lay the fish on its side with its mouth closed and the tail lobes pressed together. With a yardstick or tape measure under the fish, measure the length from the tip of the snout to the end of the tail. Do not follow the contour of the fish.

**Minimum Length Limit** – A fish must be equal to or longer than the defined length to be legally harvested.

**Maximum Length Limit** – A fish must be shorter than the defined length to be legally harvested.

**Protected Slot Limit** – A range of lengths of a particular species that may not be harvested legally. For instance, a 28- to 34-inch protected slot limit on northern pike means that only northern pike less than 28 inches in length or greater than 34 inches may be harvested.

CATCH-AND-RELEASE ONLY	
Species	Water Body
Striped bass, white bass and wiper	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Branched Oak Lake</li> </ul>
Northern pike	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lake Wanahoo</li> </ul>
Channel and blue catfish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fort Kearny SRA No. 2</li> <li>• Two Rivers SRA Nos. 3 &amp; 4</li> <li>• Wildwood Lake</li> <li>• Windmill SRA No. 3</li> </ul>
Flathead catfish	Branched Oak Lake
All species	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• West Brady</li> <li>• East Hershey</li> <li>• Kea West</li> <li>• Jenny Newman Pond</li> </ul>

SPECIAL DAILY BAG LIMITS	
Species	Limits
Trout	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two fish daily bag limit on the Soldier Creek Wilderness Area, including the Wood Reserve ponds and the middle and south forks of Soldier Creek</li> <li>• Four fish allowed per tag, up to three tags allowed per day at Two Rivers SRA Trout Lake</li> </ul>
Striped bass, White bass, Wiper	Daily bag limit of three (no more than one longer than 16 inches) at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elwood Reservoir</li> <li>• Wagon Train Reservoir</li> <li>• Willow Creek Reservoir</li> </ul>
Northern pike	Daily bag limit of 10 (only three can be over 22 inches in length and only one of those can be over 34 inches in length) at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Box Butte Reservoir</li> </ul> Daily bag limit of 10 at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lake Minatare</li> </ul>
Channel catfish	Daily bag limit of 10 at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rivers, streams and canals</li> <li>• Jeffrey Reservoir</li> <li>• Lake Babcock</li> <li>• Lake North</li> <li>• Midway Canyon Reservoir</li> <li>• Plum Creek Canyon Reservoir</li> <li>• Gallagher Canyon Reservoir</li> <li>• Johnson Lake</li> <li>• Lake Maloney</li> <li>• Lewis and Clark Lake</li> <li>• Phillips Canyon Reservoir</li> <li>• Sutherland Reservoir</li> </ul>

## LENGTH LIMITS

Species	Limits
Black bass (largemouth, smallmouth and spotted)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Daily bag limit may contain only one 21 inches or longer, statewide</li> <li>• No minimum length limit on smallmouth bass on the NPPD Trailrace Canal starting at the State Farm Road bridge downstream to the confluence with the South Platte River. The daily bag limit of five can only have one bass 15 inches or longer in length.</li> <li>• 12-inch minimum on the Missouri River between Nebraska and Iowa, and between Nebraska and Missouri (NOTE: No length limit on all Missouri River waters bordering South Dakota)</li> <li>• 15-inch minimum on all inland waters, including DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge, Snyder Bend Lake and Lake Yankton</li> <li>• 21-inch minimum on waters as listed in the Public Fishing Areas section, and on private waters leased in the Open Fields and Waters, and PATH Fishing programs</li> </ul>
Bullfrogs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4½-inch minimum (snout to vent), east of U.S. Hwy. 81</li> </ul>
Crappie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10-inch minimum at Branched Oak Lake, Czechland Lake and Sherman Reservoir</li> </ul>
Yellow perch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 12-inch minimum at Rat and Beaver Lake</li> </ul>
Muskellunge or Tiger muskie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 40-inch minimum, statewide</li> </ul>
Northern pike	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Daily bag limit may contain only one 34 inches or longer, statewide</li> <li>• 34-inch minimum at Alda DOR, Grove Lake, Cottonmill Lake, Hershey I-80 Lake, Red Willow Reservoir, Sherman Reservoir</li> </ul>
Striped bass, white bass and their hybrids (combined)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Daily bag limit may include only one fish 16 inches or longer, inland waters</li> </ul>
Walleye, sauger and saugeye	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Daily bag limit may include only one walleye, sauger or saugeye 22 inches or longer on all inland waters</li> <li>• 15-inch minimum statewide, except for the portion of the Missouri River downstream of Gavins Point Dam (no minimum length) and the following:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Branched Oak Lake – daily bag limit is one walleye 22 inches or longer</li> <li>▶ DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge – 15-inch minimum length</li> <li>▶ Elwood Reservoir, Harlan County Lake, Merritt Reservoir – daily bag limit of four may include one from 15 to 18 inches and three longer than 18 inches or four longer than 18 inches. No more than one longer than 22 inches allowed in daily bag.                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Sherman Reservoir – daily bag limit can include two (2) fish between 15 inches and not greater than 20 inches and one (1) longer than 28 inches. There is a slot length limit protecting walleye ranging from 20 to 28 inches.</li> <li>▶ Calamus Reservoir – daily bag limit may include two 15 to 18 inches in length and two over 18 inches, with no more than one 22 inches or greater.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>

**One-Over Length Bag Limits** – For some species, such as black bass and walleye, the number of large fish that may be harvested may be limited on some or all waters. For example, while it may be legal to harvest four black bass more than 15 inches from a given lake, statewide regulations prohibit an angler from harvesting more than one black bass 21 inches or longer each day from any waters. Therefore, for lakes with a 21-inch minimum length limit on black bass, the daily bag limit becomes one fish.

## STATEWIDE BAG AND POSSESSION LIMITS

Species	Note	Bag	Possession
Rainbow, tiger and cutthroat trout	No more than one fish longer than 16 inches on all waters except the Sutherland Canal	5	12
Brown trout	No more than one fish longer than 16 inches in all waters	5	10
Brook trout	No more than one fish longer than 12 inches	2	4
Striped bass, white bass, wiper *	No more than one fish longer than 16 inches on inland waters	15	30
Walleye, sauger, saugeye *	In combination; only one fish 22 inches or longer allowed in daily bag; inland waters only	4	8
Muskellunge, tiger muskie		1	2
Baitfish, barred salamander, leopard frog	In combination	100	100
Shovelnose sturgeon	No harvest allowed on the Missouri River upstream from mouth of the Big Sioux River	10	20
Pallid sturgeon, lake sturgeon, bowfin, American eel	No harvest allowed		
Northern pike *		3	10
Blue catfish *		1	2
Channel catfish *	Standing water (reservoirs, lakes, ponds and pits)	5	20
	Flowing water (rivers, streams and canals and listed reservoirs)	10	20
Flathead catfish *	No more than one fish longer than 30 inches allowed in daily bag limit on all waters	5	10
Panfish *	See species list on page 16	15	30
Mussel and clam	No harvest on rivers and streams, statewide	10	20
Game fish and nongame fish species not listed		No Limit	
Bullfrog		8	16
Snapping turtle		5	10
Largemouth, smallmouth and spotted bass *	In combination; only one 21 inches or longer allowed in daily bag	5	10
WATERS OF THE MISSOURI RIVER BAG AND POSSESSION LIMITS			
Paddlefish	Special permit required	2	2

\* Refer to the Public Fishing Areas for special bag, possession and length limits on specific bodies of water, page 36. Also see tables on pages 11 and 12.

## LENGTH LIMITS AND CLEANING OF FISH

Where length and bag limits apply, fish may not be filleted until fishing is completed for the day and anglers are off the water. Fish subject to bag and possession limits but not length limits, may be processed before transport if the fillets are kept in one piece until cooked, so the bag and possession limits can be determined.

Fish species subject to a length limit may not be possessed with more than the gills, viscera and scales removed while on the water, wading or engaged in fishing. Any fish in possession while on the water will be subject to length and bag limits that apply to that water body. Once off the water, the fish may be filleted for transportation and storage.

### IT IS UNLAWFUL TO ...

- borrow or use the permit of another or lend your permit to another
- leave dead fish or any part of one on the banks or in the water of any stream, lake or other body of water
- fish on any private land without landowner permission
- release into public waters of the state any fish that did not originate from that body of water, including the dumping of bait buckets.
- seine sport fish of any size
- leave fish in a trap for more than 24 hours
- attempt to snag fish, except in designated areas
- use limb lines or set lines in any pond, lake or reservoir
- catch fish by hand
- buy or attempt to buy a permit while under license suspension or revocation in any state
- keep an externally foul-hooked fish, except those legally snagged
- leave a water body with lake or river water present in a boat or container

## NONFISH SPECIES WITH SEASONS

Species	Season Dates	Bag/Possession Limits	Method of Take	Notes
Bullfrog East of U.S. Hwy. 81	Aug. 15 – Oct. 31	8/16	May be taken only by hand, hand net or hook-and-line. Artificial light may be used.	Must measure 4½ inches from snout to vent or be released. Only the entrails may be removed before transport.
West of U.S. Hwy. 81	Year-round	8/16	All legal methods	No minimum length limit
Snapping turtle	Year-round	5/10	May be taken only by hand, hand net, hook-and-line, bow-and-arrow, gaff hook or legal trap. (Traps allowed only on private waters.)	
Mussel	Year-round	10/20	May be taken only by hand, hand net or hook-and-line.	All rivers and streams closed to harvest.

# BAIT REGULATIONS

Baitfish, listed amphibians and crayfish may not be sold, except by permit. For commercial purposes (bait dealers, private aquaculturists and nonresident fish dealers), refer to the regulations supplied with your permit. The following regulations apply only to bait obtained for personal use.

- It is unlawful to take baitfish, listed amphibians or crayfish from any public lake, reservoir or bayou unless otherwise stated below.
- Digging and trapping for bait or any other purpose is prohibited on all state-owned or controlled areas.
- It shall be unlawful for any individual or bait dealer to transport away from the river any live fish to be used for bait which has been collected on the Missouri River downstream below Gavins Point Dam to the Kansas border and all other rivers and streams located east of U. S. Hwy. 81 from the South Dakota border to York, north of Interstate 80 from York to Lincoln, and east of U. S. Hwy. 77 from Lincoln to the Kansas border. The use of baitfish seined by anglers from these rivers and streams may only be used at the body of water from which they were captured.
- Seining for baitfish, listed amphibians or crayfish is allowed on streams located on state recreation areas (SRA) and wildlife management areas (WMA) unless the stream is listed as closed.
- It is illegal to possess while fishing or use for bait Red Swamp Crayfish, White River Crayfish or Rusty Crayfish. If you suspect that you have either collected or purchased one of these species, bring them to a Game and Parks office.
- All non-baitfish taken while netting or seining for bait must be returned immediately to the waters from which taken.
- The bag and possession limit of baitfish and listed amphibians for personal use is 100.

**NOTE:** Anglers who seine their own baitfish must properly identify the fish species collected to avoid transfer of invasive species (see page 29). It is illegal to dump baitfish or water from the seining location into a different water body as that could also transfer invasive species including fish diseases. Seined baitfish should be transported in domestic water to reduce the chance of transporting diseases or aquatic invasive species.

**Gizzard Shad and Alewife** – May be taken for use as bait by legal dip nets from lakes, ponds, reservoirs, and below dams and other artificial obstructions for a distance of 200 yards below such obstructions.

- Live shad and alewife may be used only in the body of water from which they were captured.
- Shad and alewife may be taken by legal seine or dip net in streams, except those streams closed to the taking of baitfish or bait by such method, but cannot be transferred alive and used in other waters.

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**Below Dams** – The seining of baitfish, listed amphibians or crayfish is unlawful for a distance of 200 yards below any dam or spillway. In these waters, baitfish, listed amphibians and crayfish may be taken by legal baitfish dip nets for personal use only.

**Restricted Species** – It is unlawful to sell, transport or offer for sale as bait, any live carp, carpsucker, bullhead, buffalo, gar, quillback, gizzard shad or alewife.

- Live fish of those species may be used for bait only in the same waters from which they are legally taken.
- Dead carp, carpsucker, bullhead, buffalo, gar, quillback, gizzard shad or alewife may be transported for use as bait.

**Sport fish may be used for bait if:**

- they can be purchased from a bait dealer that have been acquired legally from a licensed aquaculturist or a nonresident fish dealer. The angler must keep a legible receipt or invoice from the dealer listing the date, seller's name and address, and number and size of each species sold.
- they are captured using hook and line and used at the body of water from which they were captured. Anglers must follow both the length and bag limits for that body of water.

**Importation** – It is unlawful for individuals to import live baitfish from out of state for use in inland waters. This does not include the Missouri River. It is unlawful to import or transport live carp, carpsucker, buffalo, quillback, gar, gizzard shad or alewife into the state for use as bait. Special permits are required for a person to import and sell bait or baitfish.

## THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES

It is unlawful to take by seine, dip net or trap any baitfish in the following streams, which contain threatened and endangered fish species:

- Cherry County – Brush Creek west of Brownlee, and Gordon Creek west of Neb. Hwy. 61
- Dawes County – Niobrara River east of Box Butte Reservoir and west of U.S. Hwy. 385
- Keya Paha County – Cottonwood Creek, East Holt Creek and Holt Creek
- Madison County – Taylor Creek west of U.S. Hwy. 81

## NO-LIVE-BAITFISH AREAS

The following areas do not allow the use or possession of live baitfish:

### Southeast:

- Bennington Lake
- Hedgefield Lake
- Holmes Lake
- Iron Horse Trail Lake
- Lake Wanahoo
- Meadowlark Lake
- Olive Creek Lake
- Prairie Queen Recreation Area
- Wildwood Lake
- Yankee Hill Lake

### Southwest:

- Ansley City Lake
- Arnold Lake
- Bethphage Pond

- Bowman Lake
- Cottonmill Lake
- Heartwell Park Pond
- Holdrege City North Lake
- Lake Helen
- Plum Creek Park Lake
- Lincoln Park Pond
- North Platte I-80 Lake
- Ravenna Lake
- Victoria Spring Lake
- Yanney Park Lake

### Northwest:

- Crescent Lake NWR
- Frye Lake
- Rat and Beaver Lake
- Valentine NWR

### Northeast:

- Chalkrock Lake
- Kramper Lake
- Pibel Lake
- Skyview Lake
- TaHaZouka Park Pond
- Clear Lake (Brown County)

## OTHER BAIT RESTRICTIONS

**White Perch** – It is illegal to transport or possess live white perch. The introduction of white perch into new bodies of water may destroy the quality of the fish community and may require the total renovation of the fishery.

**Dumping** – It is illegal to release baitfish or any fish caught from a different body of water into public waters.



**Exportation** – Up to 100 legally captured baitfish and/or listed amphibians may be exported by a resident for personal use for fishing outside the state if allowed by the destination state. Licensed aquaculturists may transport an unlimited number of baitfish that have been artificially propagated in manmade impoundments out of state if allowed by the destination state.

**Baits and Scents** – Cutbait is legal if the fish used has been legally acquired and the size, bag and possession limits for that species and body of water have been followed. It also is legal to chum for fish using nonharmful baits. Anise oil and other scents that do not stun, kill or harm fish are permitted.

**Leopard Frogs and Barred (formerly tiger) Salamanders** – All regulations that cover the legal use of baitfish also apply to these species. Leopard frogs can only be collected for individual use, not commercial use.

**Crayfish** – There is no daily possession limit on crayfish. Anyone over the age of 16 must have a bait dealer’s license in order to sell crayfish. Crayfish may be captured by hook and line, by hand or by legal fish nets and traps as described below. No permit is needed to collect for personal use.

**Fish Nets and Traps** – The possession or use of nets, traps and electrical gear capable of stunning fish is prohibited except for the following:

- Baitfish seines of one-fourth inch nonmetallic square mesh only and not more than 20 feet long and four feet deep.
- Baitfish dip nets of one-fourth inch, nonmetallic square mesh. Neither length nor width may exceed 36 inches.

CATEGORIES OF FISH SPECIES				
GAME FISH				
<b>Sport Fish:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• all sunfish hybrids</li> <li>• American eel</li> <li>• black crappie</li> <li>• blue catfish</li> <li>• bluegill</li> <li>• brook trout</li> <li>• brown trout</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• burbot</li> <li>• channel catfish</li> <li>• chinook salmon</li> <li>• cutthroat trout</li> <li>• flathead catfish</li> <li>• goldeye</li> <li>• grass pickerel</li> <li>• green sunfish</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• largemouth bass</li> <li>• muskellunge</li> <li>• northern pike</li> <li>• orangespotted sunfish</li> <li>• paddlefish</li> <li>• pumpkinseed</li> <li>• rainbow trout</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• redear sunfish</li> <li>• rock bass</li> <li>• sauger</li> <li>• saugeye</li> <li>• shovelnose sturgeon</li> <li>• skipjack herring</li> <li>• smallmouth bass</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• spotted bass</li> <li>• striped bass</li> <li>• striped bass hybrid (wiper)</li> <li>• tiger muskellunge</li> <li>• tiger trout</li> <li>• walleye</li> <li>• white bass</li> <li>• white crappie</li> </ul>
<b>Panfish:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• all sunfish hybrids</li> <li>• black crappie</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• bluegill</li> <li>• green sunfish</li> <li>• hybrid crappie</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• orangespotted sunfish</li> <li>• pumpkinseed</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• redear sunfish</li> <li>• rock bass</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• white crappie</li> <li>• yellow perch</li> </ul>
<b>Sunfish:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• all sunfish hybrids</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• bluegill</li> <li>• green sunfish</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• orangespotted sunfish</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• pumpkinseed</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• redear sunfish</li> </ul>
<b>Commercial Fish:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• black bullhead</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• freshwater drum</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• yellow perch</li> </ul>	
<b>Baitfish:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• alewife</li> <li>• bigmouth shiner</li> <li>• brassy minnow</li> <li>• creek chub</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• devil crayfish*</li> <li>• emerald shiner</li> <li>• fathead minnow</li> <li>• gizzard shad</li> <li>• golden shiner</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• goldfish</li> <li>• longnose dace</li> <li>• northern crayfish*</li> <li>• papershell crayfish*</li> <li>• plains killifish</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• red shiner</li> <li>• ringed crayfish*</li> <li>• river shiner</li> <li>• sand shiner</li> <li>• stoneroller</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• suckermouth minnow</li> <li>• barred salamander*</li> <li>• white sucker</li> </ul> <p>* covered under baitfish regulations</p>
THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES				
<b>Illegal to possess:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• blacknose shiner</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• finscale dace</li> <li>• lake sturgeon</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• northern redbelly dace</li> <li>• pallid sturgeon</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• pearl dace</li> <li>• sturgeon chub</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Topeka shiner</li> </ul>
NONGAME FISH				
Includes all species not on any of the above lists.				

- Baitfish and bait traps of one-fourth inch square mesh material with a length of 24 inches or less, a diameter of 16 inches or less and a throat 2¼ inches or less in diameter. All minnow traps shall be raised, and the baitfish removed at least every 24 hours.
- Landing nets, made of nonmetallic mesh, used only for landing fish caught on hook-and-line.

**Turtle Traps** – A legal snapping turtle trap must contain a throat or funnel to be constructed of netting that is at least 4 inches square mesh. The trap must have an entrance possible only from above the water’s surface and must allow turtles to reach the surface to breathe. The trap must be personally checked at least every 24 hours and tagged with a metal tag listing the owner’s name, address, and fishing permit number or driver’s license number. Turtle traps can only be used on private waters and it is unlawful to sell, offer for sale or barter any snapping turtles. Any turtle(s) exceeding the daily bag limits shall be released immediately.

**CAST NETS**

- Only cast nets up to 10 feet in diameter with a mesh size no larger than three-eighths inches square measure are legal gear.
- Cast nets may be used only during July, August, September, October and November.
- Cast nets may be used to collect gizzard shad and alewife only.
- Live gizzard shad and alewife may only be used for bait the same day they were captured and only in the same body of water where they were collected.
- Cast nets may be used to collect bait only on the following bodies of water:

**Northeast:**

- Calamus Reservoir
- Davis Creek Reservoir

- Johnson Lake
- Midway complex reservoirs
- Phillips Canyon Reservoir
- Plum Creek Reservoir
- Sherman Reservoir
- Enders Reservoir
- Jeffrey Reservoir
- Lake Maloney

- Medicine Creek Reservoir
- Lake McConaughy
- Red Willow Reservoir
- Sutherland Reservoir
- Swanson Reservoir
- Tri-County Canal from the diversion dam in Lincoln County to the J-2 return

**Southwest:**

- Elwood Reservoir
- Farwell South Reservoir
- Gallagher Canyon Reservoir
- Harlan County Reservoir

**FISH STOCKING**

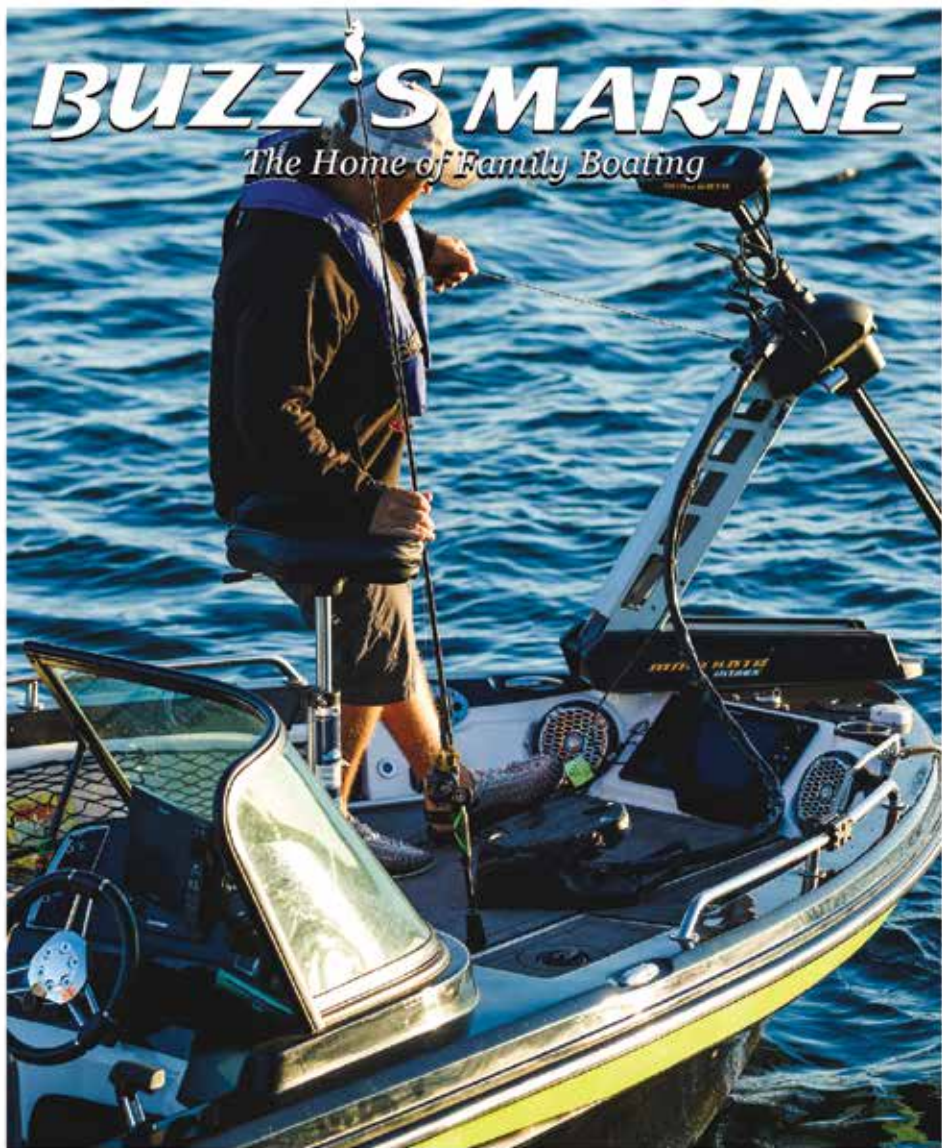
It is unlawful to release any non-native fish, reptile or amphibian in waters of the state or to release any fish in any public waters in the state except in those waters from which it came, without written authorization from the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission.

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# ARCHERY, SPEARFISHING, TROUT WATERS

## ARCHERY AND SURFACE SPEARFISHING

- Game fish may be taken by archery statewide from July 1 through Dec. 31 from sunrise to sunset.
- Game fish must meet the length limit requirements for the water body from which they were harvested, as well as daily bag limits and possession limits.
- Game fish may not be taken with surface spears.
- Nongame fish may be taken by archery or surface spear statewide 24 hours a day year-round.
- Note the closed area below Gavins Point Dam during the archery paddlefish season.
- Artificial lights are allowed.
- Only hand-drawn longbows (including compound bows) and crossbows are legal.
- Arrows may have only one point, which must be barbed, and must be attached by a line to the bow at the time the arrow is released.
- For surface spearing, only hand spears are legal.
- The following waters are closed year-round: Platte River State Park, Eugene T. Mahoney State Park, and other park areas as posted.

**NOTE:** Game and Parks does not control the closure of public bodies of water that are controlled by other entities, such as cities, counties and natural resources districts.

## UNDERWATER SPEARFISHING

- Lawful spear guns include hand spears, rubber band-powered spear guns, compressed air spear guns, and spring-loaded spear guns.
- All spears used on powered spear guns must be attached to a shooting line no more than 20 feet long.
- Underwater spearfishing is not permitted within 100 yards of any designated swimming or water-ski jump area, boat dock, boat ramp, or spillway.

**Seasons** – The season for game fish is July 1 through Dec. 31 in waters listed below, except \*Box Butte Reservoir and private waters, which starts on June 1. Bag, possession and length limits are the same as for hook and line. Hours are sunrise to sunset. The season for nongame fish is year-round in waters listed below. There are no size, bag or possession limits for nongame fish species. Hours are sunrise to sunset.

**Waters Open to All Species** – All privately-owned lakes are open, with permission of the owner, as well as:

- Lake McConaughy
- Lake Ogallala
- Lake Minatare
- Box Butte Reservoir \*
- Lewis and Clark Lake
- Harlan County Reservoir
- Enders Reservoir
- Elwood Reservoir
- Red Willow Reservoir
- Medicine Creek
- Sutherland Reservoir
- Maloney Reservoir
- Jeffrey Reservoir
- Johnson Reservoir
- Sherman Reservoir
- Swanson Reservoir
- Merritt Reservoir
- Calamus Reservoir

**Waters Open to Nongame Fish Species Only:**

### Buffalo County

- Union Pacific SRA
- War Axe SRA
- Bassway Strip WMA
- Bufflehead WMA
- Kea Lake WMA
- Kea West WMA
- East Odessa WMA

### Blue Hole West WMA

- West Elm Creek WMA
- North Kearney Rest Stop

### Dawson County

- Dogwood WMA
- Cozad WMA
- Cozad West WMA
- Willow Island WMA

### East Gothenburg WMA

### Hall County

- Cheyenne SRA
- West Wood River WMA
- Alda DOR

### Buffalo County

- Sandy Channel SRA

**Diver's Flag** – A diver's flag must be displayed on the water on a float or buoy when diving or underwater spearfishing. Divers and underwater spearfishers must remain within 150 feet of the flag. The flag must be at least 12 inches square, with a red background and white diagonal stripe that is one-fifth the width of the flag. The white stripe must run from the top of the hoist to the bottom of the flag. It is unlawful to display this flag when diving or spearfishing is not in progress.

## TROUT WATERS

It is unlawful to possess a seine of any type on trout streams in Sioux, Scotts Bluff, Morrill, Garden, and Keith counties that are tributaries of the North Platte River and Lake McConaughy, including:

- Red Willow
- Wildhorse
- Stuckenhole
- Ninemile
- Tub Springs
- Winter
- Sheep
- Dry Sheep
- Spotted Tail
- Dry Spotted Tail
- Otter
- Clear
- Lonergan
- Cedar creeks

Legal landing nets on these waters can have a maximum diameter of 12 inches, a maximum depth of 15 inches and a maximum handle length of 3 feet.

It is unlawful for anyone to use a seine, baitfish dip net or bait trap in any of the following trout streams:

### NORTHEAST:

#### Rock County

- Long Pine Creek

#### Antelope County

- Verdigre Creek/tributaries

#### Brown County

- Bone Creek/tributaries
- Long Pine Creek/tributaries
- Fairfield Creek
- Plum Creek/tributaries

#### Holt County

- Steel Creek
- North, Middle and South branches of Verdigre Creek

#### Loup County

- Gracie Creek

#### Knox County

- North, Middle and South branches of Verdigre Creek/tributaries above town of Verdigre
- Steel Creek

### NORTHWEST:

#### Box Butte County

- Niobrara River

#### Cherry County

- Middle Loup River/tributaries
- North Loup River/tributaries
- Schlagel Creek
- Snake River/tributaries
- Plum Creek/tributaries
- Fairfield Creek

#### Cheyenne County

- Lodgepole Creek west of Brownson

#### Dawes County

- Chadron Creek
- Big Bordeaux Creek
- Little Bordeaux Creek
- Dead Horse Creek
- Squaw Creek
- White Clay Creek
- White River above Crawford Reservoir west to Wyoming border/tributaries (no seining below Box Butte Reservoir downstream to U.S. Hwy. 385)

#### Garden County

- Blue Creek

#### Hooker County

- Dismal River/tributaries

#### Keith County

- Otter Creek
- Whitetail Creek
- Lonergan Creek/tributaries

#### Kimball County

- Lodgepole Creek/tributaries

#### Morrill County

- Red Willow Creek
- Cedar Creek
- Greenwood Creek
- Wildhorse Creek
- Lawrence Fork Creek
- Silvernail Drain
- Indian Creek
- Stuckenhole Creek
- Pumpkin Creek below Hwy. 88

#### Scotts Bluff County

- Ninemile Creek
- Winters Creek

- Tub Springs
- Wet Spotted Tail Creek
- Dry Spotted Tail Creek
- Sheep Creek
- Dry Sheep Creek
- Stuckenhole Creek
- Akers Draw
- Mitchell Drain
- Moffat Drain
- Alliance Drain
- Bayard Drain

#### Sheridan County

- Snake River
- Larabee Creek
- White Clay Creek
- Pine Creek
- Deer Creek
- Little Bordeaux Creek

#### Sioux County

- Sheep Creek Drain
- Dry Sheep Creek Drain
- Dry Spotted Tail Creek
- Spotted Tail Creek
- Sowbelly Creek
- White River
- Soldier Creek/tributaries
- Monroe Creek
- Hat Creek
- Niobrara River/tributaries

### SOUTHWEST:

#### Webster County

- Elm Creek

# PADDLEFISH REGULATIONS

## PERMITS

- One person may have no more than two Nebraska archery permits and two Nebraska snagging permits per year.
- Permits and their accompanying tags are nontransferable.
- Permits are issued using a preference system. The applicant will receive a preference point if he or she is unsuccessful in being awarded a permit. **Nonrefundable fee due at time of application: \$7.**
- Any person that does not apply at least once during five consecutive years will lose all accumulated points.
- Application must have valid email address provided to assist in contacting on draw results.

**PADDLEFISH APPLICATION FORM:** See page 24.

**Buddy Applications** – Buddy permits are for two applicants only. Applicants must be either both residents or both nonresidents. If there is a difference in preference points, the applications will be assigned to the applicant with the lowest preference points.

## APPLICATION PERIODS

**Archery permit:** March 1-14

Permits remaining following the first drawing will be sold on first-come, first-served basis beginning at 1 p.m. Central Time on the first working day of May.

**Snagging permit:** July 1-14

Permits remaining following the first drawing will be sold on first-come, first-served basis beginning at 1 p.m. Central Time on the first working day of September.

**NOTE:** All application periods begin at 1 p. m. Central Time. Mailed applications must be received in the Lincoln office by 5 p.m. on the last day of the application period. Online applications end at midnight.

## ARCHERY PADDLEFISH

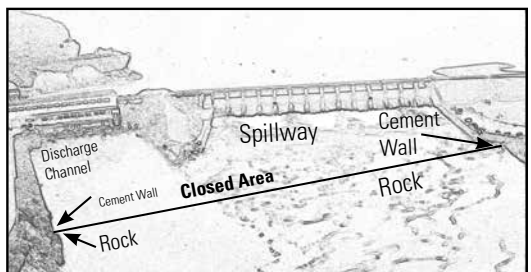
Paddlefish may be taken by bow and arrow and possessed in a designated area of the Missouri River only during the season.

**Season** – June 1-30

**Legal Hours** – sunrise to sunset

**Open Area** – The open area is from Gavins Point Dam downstream to the mouth of the Big Sioux River at mile marker 734.

**Closed Area** – The area extending downstream from Gavins Point Dam to a line extending from the east end of the south cement wall of the discharge channel northwest to the east end of the north wall of the spillway is closed to archers. The area downstream of this line is open to archers taking game and nongame fish during the appropriate seasons. During the archery paddlefish season, that portion of the tailwaters from Gavins Point Dam downstream to a line that extends from the east end of the south cement wall of the discharge channel northwest to the east end of the north wall of the stilling basin is closed to archers. The use of crossbows is not allowed in the area from the Gavins Point Dam downstream to the U.S. Highway 81 bridge.



**NOTE:** From the open area below Gavins Point Dam to 0.6 miles downstream, archers may harvest paddlefish if they possess a valid Nebraska resident or Nebraska nonresident archery paddlefish permit as well as a valid Nebraska fishing permit or a South Dakota resident archery paddlefish permit. A South Dakota nonresident fishing permit/tag is not valid in this area. In the remainder of the river open to archery paddlefish, South Dakota nonresident archery paddlefish permits are valid.

**Requirements** – All paddlefish archery anglers must have in their possession a paddlefish tag and a Nebraska fishing permit, if required. Applicants for tags must be 12 years old by the second Saturday of July.

**Tagging** – Any paddlefish landed must be tagged immediately in the dorsal fin with the angler's tag. Any paddlefish tag that is locked shut before attachment, altered or modified shall be void and will not be replaced.

**Tag limit** – Each angler may have no more than two tags.

**Cleaning and Transportation** – Anglers harvesting a paddlefish are allowed to process the fish down to two whole fillets after completion of a fishing trip and upon leaving the Missouri River with both the closed paddlefish tag and paddlefish permit remaining with the fillets.

## SNAGGING PADDLEFISH

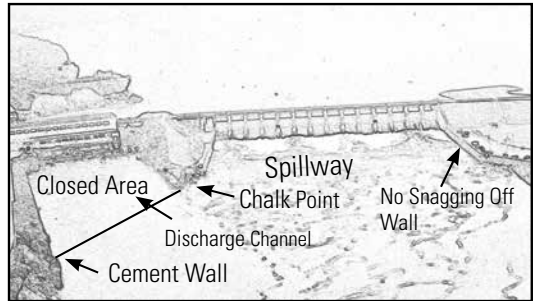
Snagging of paddlefish and nongame fish in the Missouri River is permitted from the Gavins Point Dam downstream to the mouth of the Big Sioux River at mile marker 734.

**Season** – Oct. 1-31

**Legal Hours** – 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

**Area Closed** – The area extending downstream from Gavins Point Dam to a line extending from the east end of the south cement wall of the discharge channel northwest to the east end of the chalk point is closed to snagging. Also:

- Snagging off the north wall of the spillway is prohibited.
- All inland waters are closed to paddlefish harvest.



**Requirements** – Snaggers must have in their possession an unfilled paddlefish tag while actively snagging, in addition to a valid fishing permit, if required. From Gavins Point Dam to 0.6 miles downstream, snaggers must possess a valid Nebraska resident or Nebraska nonresident snagging permit or a South Dakota resident snagging permit. A South Dakota nonresident fishing permit/tag is not valid in this area. In the remainder of the river open to snagging, South Dakota nonresident permits are valid.

**Possession** – Paddlefish harvested by snagging may be possessed only on the Missouri River during the open season in the designated open area.

**Minimum Age** – Applicants must be 12 years old by Oct. 1 to be eligible to apply for a snagging permit.

**Tagging** – A paddlefish must be tagged immediately in the dorsal fin with the angler's tag upon addition to the creel. Any paddlefish tag that is locked before attachment, altered or modified shall be void and will not be replaced.

**Hooks** – Only one hook may be used when snagging, and the gap between the point of the hook and the shank may not exceed one-half inch.

**Bag and Possession Limits** – The daily bag and possession limits are the total number of tags issued to an individual.

### SPILLWAY GATES WARNING:

If the spillway gates are in operation, boating may be restricted in the tailwater area by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

**Casting and Hooking** – All paddlefish anglers are required to cast for and hook their own fish.

**Length Limit** – All paddlefish between 35 and 45 inches long (measured along the centerline of the fish, lying flat, from the front margin of the eye to the natural fork of the tail), must be returned to the water immediately.

**Gaff Hook** – It is unlawful to use a gaff hook or other penetrating device while landing snagged paddlefish.

**Cleaning and Transportation** – Anglers harvesting a paddlefish are allowed to process the fish down to two whole fillets after completion of the fishing trip and upon leaving the Missouri River with both the closed paddlefish tag and paddlefish permit remaining with the fillets.

### Nonrefundable Application for Paddlefish Permit

**Fee due at time of application is \$7. Remainder of permit fee due, if awarded, within 15 days of draw notification (resident, \$26; nonresident, \$50)**

Paddlefish Archery Permit

Paddlefish Snagging Permit

\_\_\_\_\_  
First name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Middle initial

\_\_\_\_\_  
Last name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address - Street / P.O. Box / Rural Route and Box Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
City/State

\_\_\_\_\_  
ZIP

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Daytime Telephone (required)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Social Security Number (last 4 digits)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of birth MONTH/DAY/YEAR

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sex:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Hair color:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Eye color:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Height:

ft.

in.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Weight:

Buddy permit (attach second application form and fee in the same envelope)

**Email address (required)** \_\_\_\_\_

VISA  MasterCard

Discover

\_\_\_\_\_  
Card number:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Expiration date

Applicant must be 12 years old by the second Saturday of July to apply for an archery permit and by October 1 to apply for a snagging permit.

\_\_\_\_\_  
3-digit code

**Send this application with appropriate fee to:**

Nebraska Game and Parks Commission  
2200 N 33rd St., P.O. Box 30370  
Lincoln, NE 68503-0370



3-digit card verification No. on back of card



# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

## ATVs AND SNOWMOBILES FOR ICE-FISHING

Snowmobiles, all-terrain and motorized off-highway amphibious vehicles may be operated on the frozen surface of designated lakes listed below, unless posted as closed. All wildlife management areas are open to ATVs and snowmobiles on the ice, unless posted otherwise. These vehicles may be operated only from one-half hour before sunrise until 9 p.m., or as posted. Recommended ice thickness for vehicle use is eight inches. The designated lakes are, unless posted as closed:

- Big Alkali
- Bluestem
- Box Butte
- Branched Oak
- Calamus
- Conestoga
- Cottonwood-Steverson
- Davis Creek Reservoir
- Elwood
- Enders
- Fremont lakes
- Frye Lake
- Gallagher Canyon
- Harlan County
- Home Valley
- Johnson
- Lewis and Clark
- Louisville lakes
- Maloney
- McConaughy
- Medicine Creek
- Merritt
- Minatare
- Ogallala
- Olive Creek
- Oliver
- Pawnee
- Red Willow
- Rockford
- Shell
- Sherman
- Smith Lake WMA
- Stagecoach
- Sutherland
- Summit
- Swanson
- Wagon Train
- Walgren
- Willow (Brown Co.)
- Willow Creek

## FREE FISHING AND PARK ENTRY DAY - MAY 18, 2019

Free Fishing and Park Entry Day is held annually on the Saturday before Memorial Day weekend. It is intended to attract those who no longer fish or who have never fished with an opportunity to do so without purchasing a permit. All bag and length limits are still in effect. Also, no permit is needed to enter a state park area.

## FAMILY FISHING EVENTS

The Nebraska Game and Parks Youth Fishing Program sponsors Family Fishing Events at community and recreation area lakes across the state. This is an opportunity for people who have never fished, or have not fished in years, to learn or refresh their skills. Visit [OutdoorNebraska.org/Family Fishing](http://OutdoorNebraska.org/FamilyFishing) for dates and locations of Family Fishing Events.

## FISH KILL REPORTS

To make it easier to determine the cause, promptly report dead or dying fish to a conservation officer, Nebraska Game and Parks Commission district office, or the 24-hour Nebraska State Patrol pollution complaint number at 402-471-4545.

## POLLUTION

Keep the water safe and clean for future fishing. Report dumping or pollution activities to the Environmental Protection Agency toll-free at 800-223-0425.

## RESOURCES FOR LAKE MAPPING AND WATER LEVELS

Lake contour maps are available at [OutdoorNebraska.org](http://OutdoorNebraska.org). For lake levels and stream flows, visit the following:

<http://rivergages.mvr.usace.army.mil/WaterControl/stationinfo2.cfm?sid=fid&dt=S>

<http://www.cnppid.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/lakeRiverData.html>

<http://nppd.com/about-us/power-plants-facilities/hydroelectric/water-data/>

<http://waterdata.usgs.gov/ne/nwis/rt>

[http://www.usbr.gov/gp/lakes\\_reservoirs/nebraska\\_lakes.html](http://www.usbr.gov/gp/lakes_reservoirs/nebraska_lakes.html)

<http://farwellid.org/sherman%20reservoir.html>

<http://www.nwd-mr.usace.army.mil/rcc/current.html>

## FISH CONSUMPTION ADVISORY

For detailed information on the fish consumption advisory program and the status of water bodies across the state go to the Department of Environmental Quality website: [deq.ne.gov/NDEQProg.nsf/OnWeb/FCA](http://deq.ne.gov/NDEQProg.nsf/OnWeb/FCA).

## TOURNAMENTS, CONTESTS AND DERBIES

**Registration** – All fishing tournaments, derbies or contests that require an entry fee, on publicly owned, controlled or managed waters, must be registered with Game and Parks' Fisheries Division at least 45 days before the event. In addition, it is strongly suggested that all fishing tournaments, including those that do not charge an entry fee, register in order to avoid user conflicts. Download a registration form at [OutdoorNebraska.org](http://OutdoorNebraska.org).

**Special Occasion Permit** – If the tournament is to be held at a state park or state recreation area, also contact the park superintendent to complete a Special Occasion Permit.

**Denial** – An event may be denied if the date and location conflict with a previously approved event. Denial also may be based on safety concerns due to low water or anticipated heavy use that could result in boat ramp congestion or if tournament organization does not follow all tournament registration and invasive species rules.

### Special Conditions

– Game and Parks may impose special conditions for a fishing tournament, derby or contest if deemed necessary to protect the resource or to assure public safety. Special conditions may include aerated livewells, release of live fish, designated release areas, on-the-water measurements, and immediate release of fish with no on-shore weigh-in ceremony.

Tournament directors

will be provided instructions on how to operate their tournament to reduce mortality in no harvest/weigh-in tournaments. All watercraft are required to adhere to the Clean, Drain and Dry protocol before launching to ensure that no aquatic invasive species are being transported from another body of water.

<b>FISHING TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION FORM</b>		
(Print or type)		
Organizer (club, sponsor or individual): _____		
Organizer address: _____		
Phone: _____	Email: _____	
About the Tournament (Special Occasion Permit also required if held at a state park area): _____		
Location: _____		
Dates: _____	Hours: _____	
Tournament date may be denied due to conflict with previously approved event.		
Species counted for tournament scoring:		
1. _____	6. _____	
2. _____	7. _____	
3. _____	8. _____	
4. _____	9. _____	
5. _____	10. _____	
Disposition (please check one):		
<input type="checkbox"/> Fish will be measured at boat and released		
<input type="checkbox"/> Weighed in and then released *		
<input type="checkbox"/> Weighed in and then harvested *		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain) _____		
Awards will be based on (check one):		
<input type="checkbox"/> Longest fish	<input type="checkbox"/> Heaviest fish	<input type="checkbox"/> Heaviest total catch
<input type="checkbox"/> Combination of number and length of fish		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain) _____		
* Tournament must follow all length and bag limit regulations for that specific water body. No culling or high-grading allowed.		
<b>Mail to:</b>		
Fisheries Division		
Nebraska Game and Parks Commission		
PO Box 30370		
Lincoln, NE 68503-0370		

**Certificate** – A Fishing Tournament Approval Certificate must be present at the tournament site.

**Posted Dates** – The tournament dates will be listed at [OutdoorNebraska.org/fishingtournaments](http://OutdoorNebraska.org/fishingtournaments).

**Results** – A results form will be sent to the tournament director. This form must be completed and returned to the Fisheries Division within 30 days following the completion of the fishing tournament. Failure to return the completed form or provide the requested information will result in denial of future fishing-tournament requests for at least one year.

**Tagged Fish** – The use of tagged or otherwise marked fish is prohibited in any fishing tournament, derby or contest held on waters owned or controlled and stocked by Game and Parks during the preceding 24 months, excluding private lakes not owned by the state or other governmental entity.

## STAY ALIVE, AVOID HYPOTHERMIA

Hypothermia is a medical emergency that occurs when your body loses heat faster than it can produce heat, causing a dangerously low body temperature. Normal body temperature is around 98.6 F (37 C). Hypothermia occurs as your body temperature passes below 95 F (35 C). When your body temperature drops, your heart, nervous system and other organs can't work normally. Left untreated, hypothermia can eventually lead to complete failure of your heart and respiratory system and to death. Hypothermia is most often caused by exposure to cold weather or immersion in cold water.

# AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES

## AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES PROGRAM

The Aquatic Invasive Species Program focuses on the education of the public about aquatic invasive species (AIS). It aims to prevent the introduction of AIS into Nebraska through such efforts as monitoring state waters, inspecting and decontaminating conveyances, and treating for AIS populations.

**Fees** – The program is funded by a \$5 fee added to resident boat registrations and a \$15 annual nonresident Aquatic Invasive Species Stamp.

**Aquatic Invasive Species** – Any waterborne, non-native organism that threatens the diversity or abundance of native species, the ecological stability of impacted waters, or commercial, agricultural, aquacultural or recreational activities.

**Impact** – Invasive species may cause significant ecological problems because they have been introduced into habitat in which there are no natural pathogens, parasites or predators. Lack of these natural controls may allow a nuisance species to grow exponentially in new habitat. Introduced nuisance species may prey upon or compete with native species and could transmit diseases to native species.

**Preventive Steps** – Anglers and boaters should take precautions to prevent the introduction or spread of invasive species. This is especially important to boaters who travel to waters that have invasive species not present in any Nebraska waters. Follow these procedures:

- It is unlawful for a boat to arrive at or leave any body of water in Nebraska with water other than from a domestic source except for fire-fighting purposes. Drain water on site before leaving an area and allow the boat to dry before launching again.

### NONRESIDENT

#### AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES STAMP

Motorized watercraft registered outside of Nebraska are required to purchase and display the Aquatic Invasive Species Stamp before launching from any Nebraska boat ramp.

The \$15 fee for the decal-like stamp includes a \$2 issuing fee.

The stamp can be purchased at [OutdoorNebraska.org](http://OutdoorNebraska.org) or at Commission offices. The stamp must be permanently affixed to the starboard and rearward side of the boat, on the outside of the hull above the water line.



- It is unlawful for a boat or trailer to arrive or leave a launch area with any aquatic vegetation from that water body still attached. Boat blinds cannot use plants listed as invasive species or noxious weeds.
- Wash mud off waders. Felt-sole wading boots are not allowed.
- These steps are intended to prevent or delay the establishment of aquatic invasive species in Nebraska waters.

**Clean, Drain and Dry** – Zebra and quagga mussels can survive out of water for up to two weeks. After boating and before launching your boat in a different water body:

- Rinse boat and all equipment with hot tap water, ideally more than 140 degrees F, to kill zebra and quagga mussels. Vinegar can also be used to kill young zebra and quagga mussels, especially in live wells.
- Spray boat, live well, engine and trailer with a high-pressure sprayer.
- If washing the boat away from the water body you are leaving, do not allow runoff to enter a drainage. Control your runoff.
- Pull plugs from bilge, live wells, watercraft and tilt engine to drain upon leaving a water body.
- Dry boat and all equipment for at least five days. Use a towel to speed up the drying process.

**List of Aquatic Invasive Species** – Among those species of immediate concern to Nebraska are:

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|---------------------------|----------------------|--|
| • Asian clam              | • Phragmites         | • Spiny water flea                       |
| • Bighead carp            | • Purple loosestrife | • Viral hemorrhagic septicemia (disease) |
| • Creeping water primrose | • Red swamp crayfish | • White perch                            |
| • Curlyleaf pondweed      | • Rusty crayfish     | • White River crayfish                   |
| • Eurasian water milfoil  | • Salt cedar         | • Zebra mussel                           |
| • Quagga mussel           | • Silver carp        | • Brittle naiad                          |
| • New Zealand mud snail   | • Snakehead          |  |

**List of Water Bodies That Contain Zebra Mussels** – Populations of zebra mussels are present in these Nebraska waters. It is illegal to leave these infested areas with live fish or any water. Live baitfish need to be disposed of properly such as at the fish cleaning station, restroom or undeveloped areas.

- |                    |                        |                  |                |
|--------------------|------------------------|------------------|----------------|
| • Offutt Base Lake | • Lewis and Clark Lake | • Missouri River | • Lake Yankton |
|--------------------|------------------------|------------------|----------------|

**Suspect Water Bodies** – Tested positive for veliger zebra mussels but no adults found:

- |                 |               |   |
|-----------------|---------------|---|
| • Zorinsky Lake | • Carter Lake | • Glenn Cunningham Lake (drained in 2018 to freeze mussels) |
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**Transportation and Possession** – It is unlawful to transport live black carp, silver carp, bighead carp, grass carp, white perch and yellow bass away from the water body from which they were captured.

**Learn More** – For more information about AIS, visit: [neinvasives.com](http://neinvasives.com).

### **DON'T MOVE A FISH!**

Ask any fisheries biologist around the country about the threats to our fisheries resources and you will receive a list of replies that includes invasive species.

Invasive species can be anything from fish diseases to plankton, mussels, aquatic plants and undesirable fish species. Even sportfish like largemouth bass, walleye and northern pike in the wrong place can be invasive species! Unfortunately, there are many examples of unwanted species of fish in places where they should not be. Far too many humans illegally transport them from one body of water to another. At the least, unwanted fish species crowd and compete with desirable fish. At the worst, they may threaten the collapse of entire fisheries.

The unauthorized release of any fish or aquatic organism into any public body of water is illegal and irresponsible. Millions of angler dollars are spent each year in Nebraska and other states trying to eliminate or control undesirable species. The fishing that is ruined by "bucket biologists" and their illegal fish stockings might be yours! If you know of any such activity, call Nebraska Wildlife Crimestoppers, 1-800-742-7627.

# STATE RECORDS / MASTER ANGLER AWARDS

If you make an outstanding catch, it may qualify for either a Nebraska Game and Parks Commission State Record or a Master Angler Award. Application forms are available from: Game and Parks offices, conservation officers, permit vendors, [OutdoorNebraska.gov/fisheriesforms](https://OutdoorNebraska.gov/fisheriesforms), and this guide.

## STATE RECORD RULES

- Fish must be caught in accordance with Nebraska fishing regulations by rod and reel, underwater spearfishing, surface spearing, or archery and must be taken from Nebraska waters.
- Fish must be weighed on an accredited or certified scale. A commercial measuring tape or stick should be used to measure the fish.
- Only fish that exceed the current record by at least one ounce are eligible for a state record.
- Two witnesses, one of which must be a permanent employee of Game and Parks, must witness the weighing and measuring of the fish and sign the application. The angler must display a Nebraska fishing permit to the Game and Parks employee who witnesses the weight.
- One clear photograph showing a close-up side view of the fish and one clear photograph showing the angler with the fish must accompany the completed application. All photographs become the property of Game and Parks.
- A Game and Parks fisheries biologist must verify the species of fish, and the fish must be preserved flat until the species is verified.
- Game and Parks may collect fish scales, tissue or spine samples to check fish identification and to refuse any questionable application.
- Game and Parks may revoke a state record if the record holder is found in possession of illegal fishing gear or has been cited for repeated fishing violations that cast suspicion on the authenticity of the record catch.
- No fish caught from any aquaculture or commercial put-and-take facility is eligible.
- Applications must be submitted within 30 days of the date the fish was caught.

## MASTER ANGLER RULES

- A fish need not be harvested or verified by a Game and Parks employee to receive a Master Angler.
- All fish must be taken from Nebraska waters.
- If a fish is caught from private waters, a valid fishing permit is required to receive the award.
- Fish must be taken by hook-and-line, not bank lines or set lines.
- Fish must be legally hooked, played and landed by the applicant.
- The catch must be verified by a Game and Parks employee, a permit vendor, a witness, or a photograph.
- Anglers 16 years of age or older must possess a valid Nebraska fishing permit and enter the permit number on the application.
- Only fish immediately released are eligible for an award based on length. Any fish kept in a livewell or on a stringer must meet the minimum weight requirement.
- Anglers may receive only one award based on weight per year for each species. Catch-and-release awards are unlimited.
- Anglers who release a Master Angler fish will receive a Catch and Release Master Angler pin in addition to the Master Angler certificate.



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Backlashes Blog at**

**[NebraskalandMagazine.com](https://NebraskalandMagazine.com)**

Species	Master Angler		State Records			
New state records denoted in bold.	(Minimums) lbs. OR in.		Rod and Reel	Bow and Arrow	Underwater Powered Spearfishing	Surface Spearfishing
<b>Alewife</b>	—	—	3.5 oz.	2 oz.	<b>1 oz.</b>	—
Largemouth Bass	5	20	10 lbs. 11 oz.	8 lbs. 14 oz.	7 lbs. 4 oz.	—
Rock Bass	1	11	2 lbs. 4 oz.	1 lb. 6 oz.	1 lbs. 4 oz.	—
Smallmouth Bass	3	18	7 lbs. 4 oz.	3 lbs. 9 oz.	5 lbs. 12.5 oz.	—
Spotted Bass	3	18	3 lbs. 12 oz.	2 lbs. 6 oz.	2 lbs. 7 oz.	—
Striped Bass	10	32	64 lbs. 15 oz.	8 lbs. 5 oz.	26 lbs. 15.5 oz.	—
<b>Striper Hybrid</b>	8	24	20 lbs. 1 oz.	15 lbs. 9 oz.	<b>16 lbs. 2 oz.</b>	—
White Bass	2.5	17	5 lbs.	3 lbs.	1 lb. 13 oz.	—
Yellow Bass	—	—	1 lb. 7 oz.	—	—	—
Bowfin	—	—	8 lbs.	—	—	—
<b>Bigmouth Buffalo</b>	10	26	64 lbs.	56 lbs. 6 oz.	<b>30 lbs. 7 oz.</b>	33 lbs. 3 oz.
Black Buffalo	10	26	41 lbs.	7 lbs. 15 oz.	27 lbs.	36 lbs. 12 oz.
Smallmouth Buffalo	10	26	56 lbs. 3 oz.	60 lbs. 2 oz.	23 lbs. 13 oz.	12 lbs. 7 oz.
Bullhead	2	15	—	1 lb. 11 oz.	—	—
Black Bullhead	2	15	3 lbs. 15 oz.	—	—	—
Yellow Bullhead	2	15	2 lbs. 4 oz.	—	—	—
Burbot	1	16	6 lbs. 9 oz.	—	—	—
Bighead Carp	—	—	53 lbs. 3 oz.	79 lbs. 6 oz.	—	67 lbs.
Common Carp	15	32	33 lbs. 12 oz.	50 lbs 5 oz..	35 lbs.	33 lbs. 2 oz.
Grass Carp	22	36	64 lbs.	79 lbs. 10 oz.	49 lbs. 11 oz.	25 lbs. 4 oz.
Hybrid Grass Carp	—	—	—	43 lbs. 3 oz.	—	—
<b>Silver Carp</b>	—	—	<b>7 lbs. 5 oz.</b>	38 lbs. 10 oz.	—	<b>6 lbs. 10 oz.</b>
Quillback Carpsucker	—	—	13 lbs. 10 oz.	11 lbs. 2 oz.	6 lbs. 6 oz.	—
<b>River Carpsucker</b>	—	—	13 lbs. 4 oz.	15 lbs. 12 oz.	<b>8 lbs. 12 oz.</b>	6 lbs. 3 oz.
Channel Catfish	12	30	41 lbs. 8 oz.	31 lbs. 13 oz.	25 lbs. 10 oz.	—
Flathead Catfish	15	32	80 lbs.	55 lbs.	—	—
Blue Catfish	30	40	100 lbs. 8 oz.	40 lbs. 13 oz.	—	—
Stonecat	—	—	5.2 oz.	—	—	—
Creek Chub	—	—	11 oz.	3 oz.	—	—
Flathead Chub	—	—	—	4 oz.	—	—
Black Crappie	2	15	4 lbs. 8 oz.	1 lbs. 14 oz.	2 lbs. 2 oz.	—
Triploid Crappie	2	15	3 lbs. 4 oz.	—	—	—
White Crappie	2	15	4 lbs. 1 oz.	2 lbs. 13 oz.	—	—
Freshwater Drum	5	22	29 lbs. 6 oz.	22 lbs. 13 oz.	11 lbs. 1 oz.	—
American Eel	1	24	5 lbs.	—	—	—
Longnose Gar	8	40	23 lbs. 11 oz.	22 lbs. 13 oz.	13 lbs. 9 oz.	20 lbs. 15 oz.
Shortnose Gar	3	26	7 lbs. 5 oz.	9 lbs. 14 oz.	10 oz.	4 lbs. 5 oz.
Spotted Gar	3	26	—	2 lbs. 15 oz.	—	—

SPECIES	MASTER ANGLER		STATE RECORDS			
	(Minimums) lbs. OR in.		Rod and Reel	Bow and Arrow	Underwater Powered Spearfishing	Surface Spearfishing
<b>New state records denoted in bold.</b>						
Goldeye	1.5	16	3 lbs. 15.5 oz.	2 lbs. 1 oz.	1 lb. 5.5 oz.	—
Goldfish	—	—	4 lbs. 3 oz.	4 lbs. 8 oz.	—	—
Skipjack Herring	—	—	2 lbs. 14oz.	—	—	—
Muskellunge	15	40	41 lbs. 8 oz.	31 lbs. 11 oz.	18 lbs. 12 oz.	—
Tiger Muskellunge	15	40	33 lbs. 5 oz.	13 lbs. 14 oz.	13 lbs. 9 oz.	—
Paddlefish	50	45	113 lbs. 4 oz.	86 lbs.	—	—
Sacramento Perch	—	—	2 lbs. 8 oz.	—	—	—
White Perch	1	12	2 lbs. 6 oz.	1 lb. 11 oz.	—	—
Yellow Perch	1.25	13	2 lbs. 10.75 oz.	1 lb. 2 oz.	1 lb. 11.5 oz.	—
Grass Pickerel	—	—	10 oz.	—	—	—
Northern Pike	10	36	30 lbs. 1 oz.	21 lbs. 14 oz.	20 lbs. 5 oz.	—
European Rudd	—	—	3 lbs. 3 oz.	3 lbs. 7 oz.	3 lbs. 3 oz.	2 lbs.
Chinook Salmon	—	—	7 lbs. 5 oz.	—	—	—
Coho Salmon	—	—	5 lbs. 12 oz.	—	—	—
Kokanee Salmon	—	—	4 lbs. 2 oz.	—	4 lbs. 2 oz.	—
Sauger	3	21	8 lbs. 5 oz.	3 lbs. 8 oz.	—	—
Saugeye	5	23	8 lbs. 14 oz.	—	—	—
Gizzard Shad	—	—	4 lbs. 7.75 oz.	5 lbs. 5 oz.	2 lbs. 14 oz.	—
Golden Shiner	—	—	14 oz.	—	—	—
Shovelnose Sturgeon	2.5	28	4 lbs. 8 oz.	—	—	—
Sucker	2	18	9 lbs.	—	3 lbs. 1 oz.	—
Longnose Sucker	2	18	2 lbs. 7 oz.	—	—	—
Blue Sucker	2	18	18 lbs. 14 oz.	11 lbs. 1 oz.	—	—
Shorthead Redhorse	2	18	2 lbs. 12 oz.	2 lb. 14 oz.	1 lb. 4 oz.	—
White Sucker	2	18	6 lbs. 1 oz.	5 lbs. 13 oz.	4 lbs. 10 oz.	—
Bluegill	1	10	2 lbs. 13 oz.	1 lb. 6 oz.	1 lb.	—
Green Sunfish	1	10	1 lb. 8 oz.	9.6 oz.	9.9 oz.	—
Hybrid Sunfish	1	10	1 lb. 15 oz.	14.4 oz.	1 lb.	—
Orangespotted Sunfish	1	10	3 oz.	0.5 oz.	—	—
Pumpkinseed	1	10	11.25 oz.	—	5.5 oz.	—
Redear Sunfish	1	10	1 lb. 14 oz.	1 lb. 1 oz.	—	—
Brook Trout	1	14	5 lbs. 1 oz.	7 oz.	—	—
Brown Trout	4	22	20 lbs. 1 oz.	9 lbs. 13 oz.	4 lbs. 8 oz.	—
Cutthroat Trout	3	20	5 lbs. 7 oz.	2 lbs. 3 oz.	—	—
Rainbow Trout	5	23	14 lbs. 2 oz.	11 lbs.	3 lbs. 9 oz.	—
<b>Tiger Trout</b>	—	—	<b>3 lb. 15 oz.</b>	2 lbs. 8 oz.	—	—
Walleye	8	28	16 lbs. 2 oz.	11 lbs. 1 oz.	13 lbs. 11 oz.	—

# Master Angler/State Record Application

Please print legibly. See rules on page 31.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Fishing Permit Number \_\_\_\_\_ Under 16 \_\_\_\_\_

Species of fish \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ lbs. \_\_\_\_\_ oz. Length: \_\_\_\_\_ in.

Date caught \_\_\_\_\_ Released:  Yes  No

Name of lake or stream \_\_\_\_\_ County where located \_\_\_\_\_

Method of fishing:  Rod and Reel  Archery  Surface spearfishing  
 Underwater spearfishing

Type of bait or lure \_\_\_\_\_

Where weighed or measured \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## Weight or length witnessed by:

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# HOW TO WEIGH A FISH BY LENGTH

Length in inches, weight in pounds (approximate)

Black Crappie	Length	6	9	12	13	14	15	16	17	18										
	Weight	0.1	0.4	1.1	1.4	1.8	2.3	2.8	3.5	4.2										
Bluegill	Length	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15									
	Weight	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.9	1.2	1.6	2.1	2.7	3.4									
Yellow Perch	Length	6	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16									
	Weight	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.7	1	1.2	1.6	2	2.4									
White Bass	Length	6	9	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20								
	Weight	0.1	0.4	0.9	1.1	1.4	1.7	2.1	2.5	3	3.5	4.1								
Largemouth Bass	Length	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24						
	Weight	0.9	1.1	1.5	1.8	2.3	2.8	3.3	4	4.7	5.5	6.4	7.4	8.5						
Northern Pike	Length	12	18	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	
	Weight	0.4	1.3	3.1	3.5	4	4.5	5	5.6	6.2	6.8	7.5	8.3	9.1	9.9	10.8	11.8	12.8	13.8	
Rainbow Trout	Length	6	9	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	
	Weight	0.1	0.3	0.7	0.9	1.1	1.4	1.7	2.1	2.5	2.9	3.4	4	4.6	5.2	6	6.8	7.7	8.6	
Flathead Catfish	Length	12	18	24	26	28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	55	
	Weight	0.7	2.4	5.9	7.5	9.4	11.7	14.3	17.3	20.6	24.3	28.5	33.1	38.2	43.8	50	56.7	63.9	76	
Channel Catfish	Length	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	32	34	36
	Weight	1.2	1.4	1.7	2.1	2.5	3	3.5	4	4.6	5.3	6	6.9	7.8	8.8	9.9	11	13.5	16.4	19.8
Walleye	Length	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	32	34
	Weight	1	1.3	1.5	1.9	2.2	2.7	3.1	3.7	4.2	4.9	5.6	6.4	7.2	8.1	9.1	10.2	11.4	13.9	16.9
Wiper	Length	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	Weight	0.9	1.1	1.4	1.8	2.1	2.6	3.1	3.7	4.3	5	5.8	6.7	7.7	8.7	9.9	11.1	12.4	13.9	15.4

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# PUBLIC FISHING AREAS

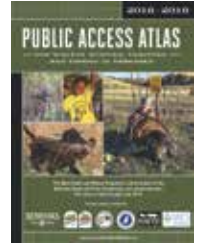
These are areas open to the public to fish, except for private sections of rivers and streams, which require anglers to obtain landowner permission. Public areas include Nebraska Game and Parks Commission-owned or leased state recreation areas (SRA) and wildlife management areas (WMA), as well as federal, Corps of Engineers, Bureau of Reclamation, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), power and irrigation, Natural Resources Districts (NRD), cities and leased private waters.

## HOW TO USE THIS PUBLIC FISHING AREAS SECTION

Lakes, rivers and streams are listed alphabetically within each of the following fisheries management districts: northwest, northeast, southwest and southeast.

## PUBLIC ACCESS ATLAS

The Nebraska Public Access Atlas is published each summer to provide hunters, trappers and anglers a guide to publicly accessible land statewide. It is printed in hard-copy form and is available in digital and interactive versions. Visit [OutdoorNebraska.org](http://OutdoorNebraska.org) for more information. Most of the areas listed in the following Public Hunting Lands section can be located in the Public Access Atlas by seeing the map sheet located at the end of each listing.



## FAMILY FRIENDLY LAKES

Areas listed in this Public Fishing Waters section denoted with **FFL** are designated as Family Friendly Lakes. These lakes identified as being safe, comfortable and having great fish-catching potential. These locations have a combination of barrier-free fishing piers, fishing trails, groomed park areas, concessions, playgrounds, picnic areas, and highly maintained fish populations. Contact the nearest fisheries supervisor for details.

## ACCESSIBLE FISHING

Areas listed in this Public Fishing Waters section denoted with **A** have amenities that comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Those amenities are listed for each area.

## ABBREVIATIONS OF FISH SPECIES

This list contains abbreviations used for fish species denoted in the public fishing areas.

BBH	Bullhead	GRC	Grass Carp	SAR	Sauger
BCF	Blue Catfish	GRP	Grass Pickerel	SMB	Smallmouth Bass
BKT	Brook Trout	GSF	Green Sunfish	SNS	Shovelnose Sturgeon
BLG	Bluegill	HSF	Sunfish Hybrid	SPB	Spotted Bass
BNT	Brown Trout	LMB	Largemouth Bass	STB	Striped Bass
BUF	Buffalo	MUE	Muskellunge	TGT	Tiger Trout
CAP	Common Carp	NOP	Northern Pike	WAE	Walleye
CCF	Channel Catfish	PAH	Paddlefish	WHB	White Bass
CRP	Crappie	PMK	Pumpkinseed	WHP	White Perch
CUT	Cutthroat Trout	RBT	Rainbow Trout	WIP	Wiper (Striped Bass Hybrid)
FCF	Flathead Catfish	ROB	Rock Bass	YEB	Yellow Bass
FRD	Freshwater Drum	RSF	Redear Sunfish	YEP	Yellow Perch
GOE	Goldeye	SAE	Saugeye		

## NORTHWEST

FFL — Family Friendly Lake    A — Accessible

**Alliance City Golf Course Pond:** Box Butte County, 0.5 acres, 1E of Alliance. CUT, RBT, ROB, TGT. Public access allowed sunrise to 9 a.m., Monday through Friday. Map Sheet 6

**Ballards Marsh WMA:** Cherry County, 250 acres, 20S Valentine. BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, NOP, YEP. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. Primitive camping. Primitive boat ramp on NW side of lake. Map Sheet 15

**FFL Bessey Fish Pond:** Thomas County, 3 acres, 1W, ¼S of Halsey at Nebraska National Forest. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT, TGT. Camping. No motorized boating. Fishing deck. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 17

**Big Alkali WMA:** Cherry County, 842 acres, 16S, 4W, 1½S of Valentine. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, SAE, WAE, YEP. All boats allowed. Boat ramp, camping and fishing camp. Snowmobiles and ATVs allowed on ice. Map Sheet 15

**Big Springs City Pond:** Deuel County, 0.5 acres, N end of Elm Street. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map Sheet 12

**Blue Creek:** Garden County, NW of Lewellen. BNT, CUT, RBT, TGT. Private access, permission required.

**Blue Lake:** Garden County, 311 acres, 22N of Oshkosh. BBH, BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, NOP, SAE, SMB, YEP. Access via primitive 2.7-mile access trail on private property (no snow removal), open daylight hours only; no camping, hunting, ATVs, horses, fires, or littering; only four-wheel-drive vehicles allowed. Area closed to access during the nine-day November firearm deer season. Access to lake made possible through lease agreement with private landowner, so please follow the rules. Close all gates. Trespassers off marked trail and parking lot will be prosecuted. Small boats recommended. Primitive boat launch. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Trail and lake may be closed seasonally due to wet or very dry conditions. For questions or conditions, call 308-763-2940. Map Sheet 7

**Boardman Creek:** Cherry County, 35SW of Valentine. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required.

**Bordeaux Creek:** Dawes County, SE of Chadron. BKT, BNT. Public access on Big Bordeaux Creek WMA and U.S. Forest Service lands. Map Sheet 5

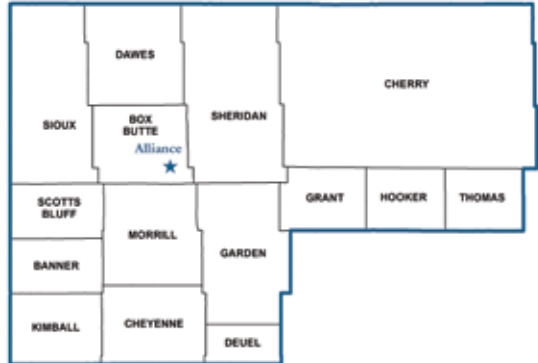
**Box Butte Reservoir SRA:** Dawes County, 1,600 acres, 10N of Hemingford. BCF, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, ROB, SMB, WAE, YEP. Northern pike - daily bag limit of 10, of which only three can be over 22 inches and only one of those can be over 34 inches in length. Subject to severe summer drawdown. Primitive camping and electrical hook-ups. All boats allowed with new boat ramp facility completed in 2018. Underwater spearfishing for gamefish starts June 1. Map Sheets 2, 6

**FFL Bridgeport SRA:** Morrill County, 78 acres in five lakes, NW edge of Bridgeport. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT, WAE, YEP. Primitive camping. All boats allowed on middle pit; other pits restricted to electric motor and non-powered boats. Rainbow trout stocked in northwest lake. Map Sheet 3

**FFL A Carter P. Johnson Lake:** Sioux County, 15 acres, Fort Robinson SP. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT, ROB. Cabins and camping. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Accessible pier. Map Sheet 1

**FFL Chadron City Reservoirs:** Dawes County, 20 acres in two ponds, 5½S of Chadron. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT, YEP. Non-powered boats allowed. Map Sheet 5

**Chadron Creek:** Dawes County, S of Chadron. BKT, BNT. Public access at Chadron SP, otherwise private access, permission required. Map Sheets 1, 5



**FFL A Chadron State Park Pond:** Dawes County, 2 acres, 9S of Chadron. RBT, HSF, SMB, YEP. No motorboats. Accessible deck, cabins and camping. Map Sheet 5

**FFL Chappell Interstate Lake:** Deuel County, 30 acres, ½S of Chappell, I-80 Exit 85 - Wheatland Drive. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, YEP. Map Sheet 8

**Cherry Creek Diversion Pond:** Dawes County, 0.25 acres, 100 yards SW from Cherry Creek Pond at Fort Robinson SP. LMB, RBT. Ponds may be drained and out of service in 2019 while aquatic habitat and angler access improvements are completed. Map Sheet 1

**Cherry Creek Pond:** Dawes County, 2 acres, Fort Robinson SP. BLG, LMB. Ponds may be drained and out of service in 2019 while aquatic habitat and angler access improvements are completed. Map Sheet 1

**Clear Lake:** Cherry County, 425 acres, 16S, 6W, 8S of Valentine to Valentine National Wildlife Refuge H.Q. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, YEP. Possession of baitfish prohibited but dead smelt allowed. It is unlawful to possess fish not taken from refuge waters. No camping. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Boat ramp. Refuge open sunrise to sunset. Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. Map Sheet 15

**Coffee Park:** Sioux County, Sowbelly Creek, NE of Harrison, BKT, BNT. Map Sheet 1

**Cottonwood Lake SRA:** Cherry County, 34 acres, ½E, ½S of Merriman. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, YEP. Primitive camping. Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. All boats allowed. Map Sheet 9

**Cottonwood-Steverson Lake WMA:** Cherry County, 680 acres, 30N, 2E of Hyannis. BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, MUE, SAE, WAE, YEP. Concrete boat ramp; boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Snowmobiles and ATVs allowed on ice. Map Sheet 10

**Crane Lake:** Garden County, 128 acres, Crescent Lake National Wildlife Refuge, 22N of Oshkosh. CRP, SMB, YEP. Possession of baitfish prohibited but dead smelt allowed. No camping. Open to fishing Nov. 1-Feb. 15. Fishing allowed during daylight hours only. Fisherman must be off lake no later than one hour after sunset. No boats or float tubes allowed. Map Sheet 7

**Crescent Lake WMA:** Garden County, 982 acres, 22N of Oshkosh. BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, MUE, NOP, SAE, YEP. Access via primitive access trail to parking area. Concrete boat ramp. 5 mph (no wake). Primitive camping. Restroom available. WMA rules apply. Map Sheet 7

**Defair Lake WMA:** Grant County, 70 acres, 1E, 2S, ½E of Hyannis. CRP, LMB, YEP. Shallow lake; boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Boat access difficult. Map Sheet 11

**Dewey Lake:** Cherry County, 550 acres, 16S, 6W, 8S of Valentine to Valentine National Wildlife Refuge H.Q. BLG, CAP, LMB, NOP, YEP. Possession of baitfish prohibited but dead smelt allowed. It is unlawful to possess fish not taken from refuge waters. No camping. Electric motor and non-powered boats. Refuge open sunrise to sunset. Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. Map Sheet 15

**Dry Sheep Creek:** Sioux County, NW of Morrill. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required.

**Dry Spotted Tail Creek:** Sioux County, NW of Mitchell. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required.

**Duck Lake:** Cherry County, 66 acres, 16S, 6W, 8S of Valentine to Valentine National Wildlife Refuge H.Q. BBH, BLG, LMB, YEP. Possession of baitfish prohibited but dead smelt allowed. It is unlawful to possess fish not taken from refuge waters. No camping. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Refuge open sunrise to sunset. Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. Map Sheet 15

**East Ash Creek:** Dawes County, 9SE of Crawford. BKT, BNT. Public access on U.S. Forest Service land, remainder on private land, permission required. Map Sheet 1

**East Hyannis Lake (Avocet WMA):** Grant County, 120 acres, 1E of Hyannis. BLG, CRP, LMB, YEP. Shallow lake. Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). No boat ramp. Map Sheet 11

**Fairfield Creek:** Cherry County, 8N, 2E of Wood Lake to forks or 2½W of Norden Road on S side of Niobrara River to mouth of creek. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required. Vehicle access difficult, most areas accessible by long hike.

**Frye Lake WMA:** Grant County, 243 acres, 1N, 1½E of Hyannis. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE, YEP. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Snowmobiles and ATVs allowed on ice. Map Sheet 10

**Gilbert-Baker WMA Pond:** Sioux County, 2 acres, 10N of Harrison. BLG, LMB, RBT, ROB, YEP. Located on E portion of Gilbert-Baker WMA. Map Sheet 1

**Goldeneye:** Deuel County, 17 acres, 1S, 3W of Big Springs. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, YEP. South Platte NRD area. Map Sheet 8

**Grabel Ponds:** Dawes County, 6 acres in four ponds, Fort Robinson SP. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT, ROB. Ponds may be drained and out of service in 2019 while aquatic habitat and angler access improvements are completed. Cabins and camping. Map Sheet 1

**Greenwood Creek:** Morrill County, SE of Bridgeport. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required.

**Hackberry Lake:** Cherry County, 680 acres, 16S, 6W, 8S of Valentine to Valentine National Wildlife Refuge H.Q. BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, NOP, YEP. Possession of baitfish prohibited but dead smelt allowed. It is unlawful to possess fish not taken from refuge waters. No camping. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Refuge open sunrise to sunset. Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. Concrete boat ramp. Scheduled for renovation in 2019. Map Sheet 15

**Hat Creek:** Sioux County, NE of Harrison. BKT, BNT. Private access, permission required.

**Home Valley Lake:** Cherry County, 220 acres, 30N, 2½E, 1N of Hyannis. BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, WAE, YEP. Part of the Cottonwood-Steverson WMA. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Portage route from Cottonwood-Steverson Lake. Snowmobiles and ATVs allowed on ice. Access to the north side of lake via private property, permission is required. Map Sheet 10

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**Hudson Lake:** Cherry County, 160 acres, 15S, 8W, 1N of Valentine. BBH, BLG, GSF, LMB, YEP. Private lake, open to public for daytime ice-fishing only December through February. Map Sheet 15

**Ice House Ponds:** Dawes County, 6 acres in three ponds, Fort Robinson SP. BLG, CCF, LMB. Ponds may be drained/out of service in 2019 as aquatic habitat and angler access improvements are completed. Map Sheet 1

**Isham Dam:** Sheridan County, 26 acres, NW of Hay Springs. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, YEP. Private lake, permission required. All boats allowed. Map Sheet 5

**Island Lake:** Garden County, 711 acres, Crescent Lake National Wildlife Refuge, 22N of Oshkosh. BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, WAE, YEP. Possession of baitfish prohibited but dead smelt allowed. No camping. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Area open one hour before sunrise to one hour after sunset. Map Sheet 7

**FFA Laing Lake:** Box Butte County, 10 acres, Alliance, W. 18th Street and Box Butte Avenue. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT, YEP. Channel catfish daily bag limit is three. No harvest allowed for persons 16 years of age or older. Map Sheet 6

**A Lake Minatare SRA:** Scotts Bluff County, 2,100 acres, 12NE of Scottsbluff. BCF, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, SMB, WAE, WHB, YEP. Northern pike daily bag limit is 10. Waters within 150 feet of dam closed to fishing from sunset to sunrise March 1-April 30. Camping. All boats allowed. Accessible boat dock. Closed Oct. 15-Jan. 14 or as posted. Subject to severe drawdowns. Map Sheet 3

**Lake Winters Creek:** Scotts Bluff County, 235 acres, N of Minatare. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, SMB, WAE, YEP. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Closed Oct. 15-Jan. 14, or as posted. Area open sunrise to sunset only. Subject to severe drawdowns. Map Sheet 3

**Larabee Creek:** Sheridan County, N of Rushville. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required. Map Sheet 5

**Lord Lake:** Cherry County, 15 acres, 9W of Merritt Reservoir, on McKelvie National Forest. BLG, CRP, LMB, YEP. Map Sheet 15

**Merritt Reservoir SRA/WMA:** Cherry County, 2,900 acres, 26SW of Valentine. BBH, BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, FRD, LMB, MUE, NOP, SMB, WAE, WHB. Walleye, Sauger, Saugeye - daily bag limit of four may include one from 15 to 18 inches and three over 18 inches or four over 18 inches but no more than one over 22 inches in length allowed in daily bag. All boats allowed. Modern and primitive camping. Map Sheet 15

**Middle Loup River:** Thomas County, BNT, CAP, CCF, RBT. Private access, permission required. Map Sheets 10, 16, 17, 23, 24, 30

**Minnechaduzza Creek:** Cherry County, Valentine, below hatchery supply and in Valentine City Park. RBT. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 15

**Monroe Creek:** Sioux County, 4½N of Harrison. BKT. Public access on Gilbert-Baker WMA, otherwise private access, permission required. Map Sheet 1

**Morrill Sandpits:** Scotts Bluff County, 25 acres in three lakes, 3S of Morrill. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT, YEP. County owned, permission required, check with the City of Morrill. No boating or camping. Map Sheet 3

**Ninemile Creek:** Scotts Bluff County, BNT, RBT. Public access at Nine Mile Creek WMA 3E, 5N of Minatare. Walk-in access SE of WMA and 2N 1E of Minatare, otherwise permission required. Map Sheet 3

**Niobrara River:** Sioux County, BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required. Extremely low water in summer. Public access on Agate Fossil Beds National Monument. Map Sheets 1, 2

**North Loup River:** Cherry County, BNT, CAP, CCF, RBT. Private access, permission required. Map Sheets 10, 16, 22, 23, 29

**A Oliver Reservoir:** Kimball County, 270 acres, 10W of Kimball. CAP, CCF, CRP, WAE. Primitive camping. All boats allowed. Accessible pier. Subject to low water. Managed by South Platte NRD. Map Sheet 4

**Pelican Lake:** Cherry County, 798 acres, 16S, 6W, 8S of Valentine to Valentine National Wildlife Refuge H.O. BLG, CRP, LMB, YEP. Bluegill - daily bag limit is five, of which only one can be 10 inches in length or longer. Possession of baitfish prohibited but dead smelt allowed. It is unlawful to possess fish not taken from refuge waters. No camping. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Refuge open sunrise to sunset. Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. Renovated in 2018. Map Sheet 15



**Pine Creek:** Sheridan County, 20S of Rushville. BNT. Private access, permission required. Map Sheets 5, 6

**Rat and Beaver WMA:** Cherry County, 500 acres in two lakes, 30S, 7W of Valentine. BLG, CRP, LMB, RSF, YEP. Yellow perch - 12-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Primitive boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 16

**Red Willow Creek:** Morrill County, E of Bayard. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required.

**Rice Lake:** Cherry County, 47 acres, 23S 8W Valentine. BLG, LMB, PMK, YEP. Possession of baitfish prohibited but dead smelt allowed. It is unlawful to possess fish not taken from refuge waters. No camping. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Refuge open sunrise to sunset. Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. Parking by Duck Lake and access by foot traffic only. Map Sheet 15

**Schlagel Creek WMA (Schlagel Creek):** Cherry County, 16S, 4W, 4N of Valentine. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required except on Schlagel Creek WMA. The stream on the WMA generally is too warm to support a year-round trout fishery. Map Sheet 15

**Sheep Creek:** Sioux County, NW of Morrill. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required.

**Shell Lake WMA:** Cherry County, 160 acres, 3N, 4E, 8N of Gordon. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, YEP. Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Snowmobiles and ATVs allowed on ice. Map Sheet 9

**Sidney Legion Park Pond:** Cheyenne County, 1.75 acres, City of Sidney. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map Sheet 8

**Silvernail Drain:** Morrill County, E of Northport. BNT. Private access, permission required.

**Smith Lake FWS:** Garden County, 225 acres, Crescent Lake National Wildlife Refuge, 26N of Oshkosh. BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, YEP. No baitfish allowed to be used or possessed. No camping. Open to fishing Nov. 1-Feb. 15. Fishing allowed during daylight hours only. Must be off lake no later than one hour after sunset. No boats or float tubes. Map Sheet 7

**<sup>A</sup> Smith Lake WMA:** Sheridan County, 290 acres, 23S of Rushville. BBH, BLG, CRP, LMB, NOP, YEP. Primitive camping. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible concrete boat ramp. Map Sheet 6

**Snake River (upper reach):** Cherry County, near Gordon. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required.

**Soldier Creek:** Dawes County, 3W of Crawford. BKT, BNT, CUT, RBT. Public access at Fort Robinson SP and Soldier Creek Wilderness Area. Daily bag limit of two trout on Wilderness Area. Map Sheet 1

**Sowbelly Creek:** Sioux County, NE of Harrison. BKT, BNT. Private access, permission required. Map Sheet 1

**Spotted Tail Creek:** Scotts Bluff County, NW of Mitchell. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required. Map Sheets 2, 3

**Squaw Creek:** Dawes County, 4E, 3S of Crawford. BKT. Public access on Ponderosa WMA, remainder on private land, permission required. Map Sheet 1

**Stuckenhole Creek:** Scotts Bluff County, W of Bayard. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required.

**<sup>FFL</sup> Terry's Pit:** Scotts Bluff County, 7 acres, Terrytown. CCF, LMB, RBT. No boating or ice-fishing allowed by city. Map Sheet 3

**Tub Springs:** Sioux County, NE of Mitchell. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required.

**Valentine Fish Hatchery Reservoir:** Cherry County, 11 acres, ½NE of Valentine. BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, NOP. Dam on Minnechaduza Creek. Map Sheet 15

**<sup>FFL</sup> Valentine Mill Pond:** Cherry County, 20 acres, N edge of Valentine. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB. Map Sheet 15

**<sup>FFL</sup> A Walgren Lake SRA:** Sheridan County, 100 acres, 5SE of Hay Springs. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, YEP. Primitive camping. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible fishing pier. Map Sheet 5

**Watts Lake:** Cherry County, 230 acres, 16S, 6W, 8S of Valentine to Refuge HQ. BLG, CRP, LMB, YEP. Possession of baitfish prohibited but dead smelt allowed. It is unlawful to possess fish not taken from refuge waters. No camping. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Refuge open sunrise to sunset. Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. Map Sheet 15

**West Ash Creek:** Dawes County, 6½E of Crawford. BKT, BNT. Public access on U.S. Forest Service land, remainder on private land, permission required. Map Sheet 1

**West Long Lake:** Cherry County, 62 acres, 16S, 6W, 8S of Valentine to Valentine National Wildlife Refuge H.Q. BLG, LMB, NOP, YEP. Possession of baitfish is prohibited but dead smelt allowed. It is unlawful to possess fish not taken from refuge waters. No camping. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Refuge open sunrise to sunset. Dense vegetation in summer. Concrete boat ramp. Map Sheet 15

**White Clay Creek:** Sheridan County, NW of Rushville. BNT. Private access, permission required.

**White River:** Dawes County, W of Fort Robinson SP. BNT, CUT, RBT. Public access at Fort Robinson SP, some access on private land via Open Fields and Waters Program, otherwise landowner permission required for access. Map Sheets 1, 5

**Whitney Lake:** Dawes County, 900 acres, 1½W of Whitney. CCF, CRP, WAE, WHB, YEP. Private irrigation reservoir, access limited. Subject to drawdowns. Public boat ramp on southeast corner of lake. Map Sheet 1

**Wildhorse Creek:** Morrill County, N of Bayard. BNT. Private access, permission required.

**Willow Lake:** Cherry County, 353 acres, 22S 1W Valentine. BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, NOP, PMK, YEP. Possession of baitfish prohibited but dead smelt allowed. It is unlawful to possess fish not taken from refuge waters. No camping. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Refuge open sunrise to sunset. Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. Access by foot only to the lake; smaller boats or belly boats recommended. Map Sheet 15

**Winters Creek:** Scotts Bluff County, NE of Scottsbluff. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required.

**Wood Reserve Ponds:** Dawes County, 2 acres in four ponds, Soldier Creek Wilderness Area, Fort Robinson SP. CUT, RBT, TGT. Daily bag limit of two trout. Access via 1-mile hike up middle branch of Soldier Creek. Map Sheet 1



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## NORTHEAST

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**Atkinson Dam:** Holt County, 5 acres, ½W of Atkinson. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Primitive camping, electrical hookups. Elkhorn River access. Managed by City of Atkinson. Map Sheet 27

**FFL Auble Pond:** Valley County, 5 acres, Ord, Bussell Park Road and G Street. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 29

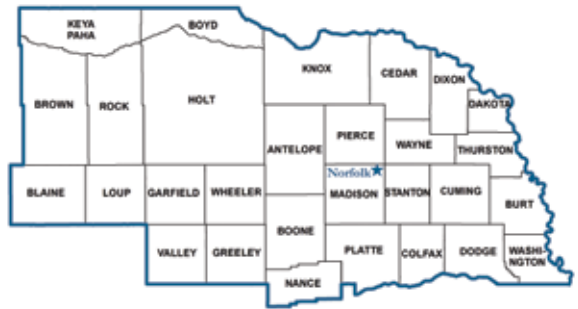
**Bazile Creek WMA (Missouri River):** Knox County, 4E, 1½N of Niobrara, river mile 838.8. CAP, CCF, FCF, NOP, SAR, SMB, WAE. Walleye and sauger - 15-inch minimum length. Gravel road to ramp gets muddy with heavy rains; ramp subject to flooding. Map Sheet 33

**Black Island WMA (Elkhorn River):** Cuming County, 2½E of Pilger on county road. CAP, CCF, FCF. Primitive camping. Map Sheet 41

**Bobcat WMA (Plum Creek):** Brown County, 12N, 1W of Ainsworth. BNT, RBT. Walk-in access to bottom of canyon. Primitive camping. Map Sheet 21

**Boyer Chute National Wildlife Refuge:** Washington County, 3½E of Fort Calhoun. Restored channel off Missouri River. CAP, CCF, FCF. No ice-fishing. No more than two lines with two hooks on each line may be used. No set lines. Archery and spearfishing for rough fish only. No digging or seining for bait. No collecting and/or possessing frogs, toads, turtles and clams. No watercraft in Boyer Chute waterway. Check with refuge for additional regulations. Open a half-hour before sunrise to a half-hour after sunset. Map Sheet 47

**Brooky Bottom Park (Missouri River):** Cedar County, 4NE of Wynot, river mile 784.9. CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, PAH, SAR, WAE. *Zebra mussel infested area*. Concrete boat ramp. Map Sheet 39



**Buckskin Hills Lake WMA:** Dixon

County, 75 acres, 2W, 3S, ½W of Newcastle. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Primitive camping. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Owned by Lewis and Clark NRD. Map Sheet 39

**Burwell Lake (Ladybird):** Garfield County, 3 acres, 1E of Burwell. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Map Sheet 29

**A Calamus Reservoir SRA:** Loup County, 5,200 acres, 2W, 5NW of Burwell. CAP, CCF, CRP, MUE, NOP, WAE, WHB, WIP, YEP. Walleye - daily bag limit of four may include two from 15 to 18 inches and two over 18 inches but no more than one over 22 inches in length allowed in daily bag. Modern and primitive camping. Accessible restrooms and parking at Homestead Knolls Campground. Boating on upper lake restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Fish-cleaning stations at Homestead Knolls and Nunda Shoals. Calamus River access west of Neb. Hwy. 96, above reservoir and below dam. Map Sheet 23

**Calamus River:** Brown and Loup counties, CAP, CCF, NOP. Private access, permission required. Public access on Calamus WMA above and below reservoir. Canoe sites and camping. Map Sheet 16, 22, 23

**Carney Pond:** Holt County, 2.5 acres, ½S O'Neill on U.S. Hwy. 281. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB. Map Sheet 28

**Chalkrock Lake WMA:** Cedar County, 44 acres, 5N, 1½E of U.S. Hwy. 81 and Neb. Hwy. 12 junction. BLG, CCF, LMB. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 33

**Clear Lake:** Brown County, 195 acres, 19S, 9W, 1N of Ainsworth. BLG, CRP, LMB, YEP. Private lake with public access allowed. Anglers must follow signage to access location. Map Sheet 22

**FFL A Columbus Hospital Pond:** Platte County, 9 acres, Columbus, 38th Street and 41st Avenue. BLG, CCF, LMB. Accessible deck. City developing park facilities around lake. Map Sheet 36

**FFL Cottonwood Lake (Lake Yankton):** Cedar County, 332 acres, Below Gavins Point Dam, N side of river. Camping. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE. Black bass - 15-inch minimum length limit. Panfish - daily bag limit is 15 for each individual species. Border water area with South Dakota, open to Nebraska permit holders. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Fish-cleaning station southwest corner of lake. *Zebra mussel infested area*. Map Sheet 33

**Cozad Lake (South Pine WMA):** Brown County, 80 acres, 11S, 2W of Long Pine. BLG, LMB, YEP. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 22

**A Crystal Cove Lake:** Dakota County, 30 acres, South Sioux City, NE of U.S. Hwy. 20/U.S. Hwy. 77 intersection. BLG, CCF, LMB, NOP, RBT. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Accessible pier. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 40

**Cub Creek Lake:** Keya Paha County, 27 acres, 8½W of Springview. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, YEP. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Primitive camping. Owned by Middle Niobrara NRD. Map Sheet 21

**Davis Creek Reservoir:** Valley County, 1,145 acres, 5S, 1E of North Loup. BBH, BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, WAE, WHB, WIP, YEP. Concrete boat ramp. Camping. Water level fluctuates due to irrigation. Map Sheet 30

**Dead Timber SRA:** Dodge County, 20 acres, 5NW, 1½E of Scribner. BBH, BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, LMB. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. No boat ramp. Limited facilities. Map Sheet 41

**Decatur Boat Ramp (Missouri River):** Burt County, S of Neb. Hwy. 51 bridge. CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD. *Zebra mussel infested area*. Map Sheet 45

**DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge:** Washington County, 760 acres, 6E of Blair on U.S. Hwy. 30. Refuge entrance fee permit required. BLG, BUF, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE, WHB. Walleye - 15-inch minimum length limit; Largemouth bass - 15-inch minimum length limit. Anglers must abide by regulations of state in which they are licensed, either Nebraska or Iowa. Check with refuge for additional regulations. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Open early January through late February for ice-fishing; no more than two lines with two hooks per line may be used, including ice-fishing. Open April 15-Oct. 14 for open-water fishing. Open a half-hour before sunrise to a half-hour after sunset. Map Sheets 46, 47

**Dismal River:** Blaine County, BNT, CAP, CCF, RBT. Private access, permission required. Trout stocked in north fork only. Map Sheets 11, 17, 23

**Dry Creek WMA (Elkhorn River):** Holt County, 1½SE of O'Neill. CAP, CCF. Elkhorn River access. Primitive camping. Map Sheet 28

**East Branch Verdigre Creek (Grove Lake WMA):** Antelope County, NE of Royal above Grove Lake. BNT, RBT. Public access available as posted. Rainbow trout stocked weekly. Map Sheet 34

**Fred Thomas WMA (Niobrara River):** Brown County, 11 N of Bassett. CAP, CCF. Walk-in access. Primitive camping. Map Sheet 21

**FFL A Fremont Lakes SRA:** Dodge County, 280 acres in 19 lakes, 3W of Fremont. BBH, BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, MUE. Muskellunge stocked in Lake No. 20. Trout seasonally stocked in Lake No. 2. Gas-powered boating on Victory Lake and Lake No. 20 only; other lakes electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Accessible piers. Modern and primitive camping. Map Sheet 42

**A Gavins Point Dam Tailwaters (Missouri River) -** Cedar County, 1S, 4W of Yankton, S.D. BUF, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, FRD, GOE, PAH, SAR, SMB, WAE, WHB. Paddlefish - see page 22 for regulations. AIS-infected water body: zebra mussels present. All boats allowed. Accessible deck. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake) in tailwaters. Fish-cleaning stations on north and south sides. From Gavins Point Dam to 0.6 miles downstream, a nonresident Nebraska fishing license required of anglers who are not residents of Nebraska or South Dakota when fishing from a boat or either bank. No crossbows. Map Sheet 33

**George Syas WMA (Loup River) -** Platte County, 2S, 1½E of Genoa. CAP, CCF. Primitive camping. Map Sheet 36

**Goose Lake:** Holt County, 237 acres, 18N, 5E of Bartlett. BLG, CAP, LMB, NOP, YEP. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Snowmobiles and ATVs allowed on ice. Map Sheet 28

**Gracie Creek:** Loup County, N side of Calamus Reservoir. BKT, RBT. Private access except for 200 yards upstream of Gracie Creek pond, permission required on private land. Map Sheet 23

**FFL A Gracie Creek Pond:** Loup County, 2 acres, N side of Calamus Reservoir-12N, 4E of Taylor. CAP, RBT. Put-and-take trout stocking. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Accessible deck. No boat ramp. Map Sheet 23

**Grove Lake:** Antelope County, 50 acres, 2N of Royal. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, RBT. Northern pike - 34-inch minimum length limit. Primitive camping allowed. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 23

**Hackberry Creek WMA (Elkhorn River):** Antelope County, 1½E, ½N of Clearwater. CAP, CCF, FCF. Map Sheet 34

**Hooper City Lake:** Dodge County, 4 acres, N edge of Hooper on Main Street. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map Sheet 41

**Hull Lake WMA:** Boyd County, 6 acres, ½W, 2S 1W ¼S of Butte. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 27

**FFL Johnson Park Lake:** Dodge County, 10 acres, 1E of Fremont. BLG, CCF, LMB. Paved boat ramp. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Map Sheet 42

**FFL Keller Park SRA:** Brown County, 7 acres in five ponds, 11S of Springview. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Pond Nos. 4 and 5 have catchable trout. Access to Bone Creek. Camping. No motorboats. Map Sheet 21

**Keller School Land WMA (Bone Creek):** Brown County, 3W, 9N, 1¼W, 1S of Long Pine. BNT, RBT. Primitive camping. Map Sheet 21

**Kent Diversion Dam (North Loup River):** Loup County, 5½E of Taylor. CAP, CCF. Primitive camping. Map Sheet 23

**A Kramper Lake (Danish Alps SRA):** Dakota County, 200 acres, ½E of Hubbard. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Accessible pier. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Camping. Map Sheet 40

**Lake Babcock:** Platte County, 600 acres, 1W, 3N of Columbus. BBH, CAP, CCF, FCF. Daily bag limit of 10 for channel catfish. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). May be closed to boating during waterfowl season. Shallow lake, owned by Loup Public Power. Map Sheet 36

**Lake Ericson:** Wheeler County, 70 acres, ½S of Ericson. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake), boat ramp in NE corner. Lake and dam managed by Lake Ericson Corporation. Map Sheet 29

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**Lake North:** Platte County, 200 acres, 3N of Columbus. CAP, CCF, CRP, FRD, SAR, WAE. Daily bag limit of 10 for channel catfish. Camping. Shallow lake. Owned by Loup Public Power. All boats allowed. Map Sheet 36

**Leigh Tri-County:** Colfax County, 7 acres, W edge of Leigh. BLG, CCF, LMB. Additional city regulations enforced. Map Sheet 41

**Lewis and Clark Lake SRA:** Knox County, 30,000 acres, 7N, 4W of Crofton. CAP, CCF, CRP, FRD, SAR, SMB, WAE, WHB. Daily bag limit of 10 for channel catfish. Walleye and sauger - 15-inch minimum length minimum. Panfish - daily bag limit is 15 for each individual species. No more than two lines with two hooks on each are allowed from Gavins Point Dam upstream to the Santee boat ramp in Knox County. AIS-infested water body: zebra mussels present, no lake water may leave the area. All boats allowed. Boat ramps at South Shore Area, Bloomfield Area, Hideaway Acres Marina, Weigand and Burbach Park, and Miller Creek Area. Cabins and camping, but no camping at South Shore Area. Map Sheet 33

**Long Lake SRA:** Brown County, 155 acres, 8½W, 21S of Ainsworth. BBH, CAP, CCF, NOP, YEP. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Primitive camping. Map Sheet 22

**Long Pine Creek:** Brown County, BNT, RBT. Public access at Long Pine WMA, SRA, and Pine Glen WMA, access to private land by permission. Map Sheets 21, 22

**Long Pine Creek SRA (Long Pine Creek):** Brown County, ½NW of Long Pine. BNT, RBT. Vehicle and walk-in access. Primitive camping. Map Sheet 21

**Long Pine WMA:** Brown County, 1N, ¼W of Long Pine. BNT, RBT. Walk-in access to Long Pine Creek, rest of stream is private access, permission required. Primitive camping. Map Sheet 21

**Looking Glass WMA:** Platte County, 7 acres in two lakes, 1S of Monroe. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map Sheet 36

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**Loup River Diversion Canal, Loup River:** Nance County, Genoa to Columbus. CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, SAR. Tailrace at Columbus, stilling basin W of Genoa, and tailwaters below Monroe and Columbus powerhouses most productive. Map Sheet 36

**Lyons City Lake:** Burt County, 5 acres, W edge of Lyons. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map Sheet 41

**Maple Creek Reservoir (Leigh Lake):** Platte County, 154 acres, ¼NW Leigh. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE. Camping areas and concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Owned by Lower Elkhorn NRD. Map Sheets 35, 41

**Maskenthine Reservoir:** Stanton County, 98 acres, 2NW of Stanton. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, WAE. Camping. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible pier. Owned by Lower Elkhorn NRD. Map Sheet 41

**Milburn Diversion (Middle Loup River):** Blaine County, 2NW of Milburn. CAP, CCF. Primitive camping. Map Sheet 23

**Mirdan Canal SRA (North Loup River):** Garfield County, 2½W of Burwell. CAP, CCF. Primitive camping. Map Sheets 23, 29

**Mulberry Bend WMA (Missouri River):** Dixon County, 1E of Maskell on Neb. Hwy. 12 and 2½N. CAP, CCF, PAH, SAR, SMB, WAE. Concrete ramp. *Zebra mussel infested area.* Map Sheet 39

**Neligh Park (West Point Park Pond):** Cuming County, 5 acres, adjacent to Cuming County Fairgrounds. BLG, CCF, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Map Sheet 41

**Niobrara SP:** Knox County, 7 acres in two ponds, 1W of Niobrara. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No boats. Niobrara River access. Cabins and camping. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 33

**Niobrara Townsite Boat Ramp (Missouri River):** Knox County, N of old Niobrara townsite on county road, river mile 844.0. BUF, CAP, CRP, NOP, SAR, SMB, WAE. Walleye and sauger - 15-inch minimum length limit. Double-wide concrete ramps not usable during low-water periods. Map Sheet 33

**Parshall Bridge WMA (Niobrara River):** Boyd County, 3½S of Butte. CAP, CCF. Walk-in access. Primitive camping. Map Sheet 6

**Pawnee Park East:** Platte County, 5 acres, Columbus, S edge, use west park entrance then cross under U.S. Hwy. 81 on park road. BLG, CCF, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Map Sheet 36

**Pawnee Park West:** Platte County, 2 acres, Columbus, W side of U.S. Hwy. 81, S off 8th Street. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 36

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**Pelican Point SRA (Missouri River):** Burt County, 5E, 4N of Tekamah, river mile 672.8. BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, SAR, WAE. Boat ramp. Primitive camping. *Zebra mussel infested area*. Map Sheet 46

**Penn Park Lake:** Antelope County, 8 acres, Neligh, SE of Neb. Hwy. 14/U.S. Hwy. 275 interchange. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB. City regulations apply. Largemouth bass - catch-and-release. Map Sheet 34

**FFL Pibel Lake:** Wheeler County, 20 acres, 9S, 1E of Bartlett. BBH, BLG, CCF, LMB. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Primitive camping. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Owned by Lower Loup NRD. Map Sheet 29

**Pine Glen WMA (Bone and Long Pine creeks):** Brown County, 2E, 8¼N from Long Pine. BNT, RBT. Access to these creeks by hike to bottom of canyon. Primitive camping. Map Sheet 21

**Plum Creek:** Brown County, W of Johnstown. BNT, RBT. Public access at Bobcat WMA and Plum Creek Valley WMA; remainder of stream is private access, permission required. One-acre pond on Plum Creek Valley WMA stocked with rainbow trout. Map Sheet 21

**Ponca State Park (Missouri River):** Dixon County, 2½N of Ponca, river mile 753.5. CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, PAH, SAR, SMB, WAE. Concrete ramp. Cabins and camping. *Zebra mussel infested area*. Map Sheet 39

**Ponca State Park Pond:** Dixon County, 1 acre, W of visitor center. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Special regulations posted on site. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Cabins and camping. Map Sheet 39

**FFL Powder Creek Reservoir:** Dixon County, 107 acres, 2E, 4S of Newcastle. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, FCF, LMB, WAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 39

**Powder Horn WMA (Elkhorn River):** Dodge County, 4NW of Scribner on U.S. Hwy. 275. CAP, CCF, FCF. Map Sheet 41

**Prairie Wolf WMA (Loup River):** Nance County, 1S of Genoa. CAP, CCF. Map Sheet 36

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**Red Fox WMA:** Stanton County, 25 acres, sandpit, 1½S of Pilger on Neb. Hwy. 15. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Primitive boat ramp. Primitive camping. Map Sheet 41

**Red Fox WMA (Elkhorn River):** Stanton County, 1S of Pilger on Neb. Hwy. 15. CAP, CCF, FCF. Primitive camping. Map Sheet 41

**Red Wing WMA (Elkhorn River):** Antelope County, 5SW of Neligh. CAP, CCF, FCF. Primitive camping. Map Sheet 34

**Scenic Park Access (Missouri River):** Dakota County, ½E of U.S. Hwy. 77 bridge near South Sioux City, river mile 732.0. CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD. Concrete boat ramp. *Zebra mussel infested area.* Map Sheet 40

**FFL A Skyview Lake:** Madison County, 50 acres, Norfolk, N of Business U.S. Hwy. 275, W of U.S. Hwy. 81 on Maple Avenue. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Accessible deck. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map Sheet 34

**FFL Sock Pond:** Platte County, 20 acres, Columbus, 48th Avenue and 11th Street. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB. Special city regs apply: Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Panfish - daily bag limit of five. Channel catfish - daily bag limit of five. No boat ramp, carry-in watercraft only. Electric motors allowed. No gas motors. Map Sheet 36

**Spalding Lake:** Greeley County, 24 acres, S edge of Spalding. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB, NOP. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Lake dewatered periodically to flush sediment. Cedar River access. Map Sheet 29

**Spencer City Pond:** Boyd County, 9.4 acres, ¼W of U.S. Hwy. 281 and South Street in Spencer. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Currently not open to fishing. Primitive camping.

**Spencer WMA (Niobrara River):** Holt County, 18N of O'Neill below Spencer Dam. CAP, CCF, SAR. Primitive camping. Map Sheet 27

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**St. Helena Access (Missouri River):** Cedar County, 6½E, 1N of U.S. Hwy. 81 and Neb. Hwy. 121 Jct. CCF, FCF, FRD, PAH, SAR, SMB, WAE. Concrete boat ramp. *Zebra mussel infested area*. Map Sheet 33

**FFL A Summit Lake SRA:** Burt County, 190 acres, 4½W, ½S of Tekamah. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible fishing pier. Fish-cleaning station. Camping. Map Sheet 41

**Sunshine Bottom (Missouri River):** Boyd County, 3E, 4N of Lynch. CAP, CCF, FRD, GOE, SAR, SMB, WAE. Concrete boat ramp. Map Sheet 27

**Swan Lake:** Holt County, 235 acres, 26S, ½W of Atkinson. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, YEP. Primitive boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Private lake leased for fishing only, all other access by permission only. Map Sheet 28

**FFL TaHaZouka Park Lake:** Madison County, 5 acres, Norfolk, just E of U.S. Hwy. 81 and just N of the Elkhorn River. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 34

**Tilden City Pond:** Antelope County, 1 acre, Tilden, Horseshoe Bend Memorial Park, 5th Street. BLG, CCF, LMB. Additional city regulations. Map Sheet 34

**Tower Lake (Yellowthroat WMA):** Brown County, 75 acres, 12½S, 1½E of Ainsworth. BLG, CRP, LMB, YEP. Owned by FWS. Electric motors or non-powered boats only. Daytime access only. No camping. Map Sheet 22

**Twin Lakes WMA:** Rock County, 160 acres in two lakes, 16S, 2½E, 2S of Bassett. BLG, CRP, LMB, YEP. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Boat ramps. Primitive camping. Renovated and restocked in 2017. Map Sheet 22

**Verdel Landing WMA (Missouri River):** Knox County, 2E, 2N of Verdel. CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, SAR, SMB, WAE. Walleye and sauger - 15-inch minimum length limit. Double-wide boat ramp. Ample parking. Map Sheet 33

**Whitetail WMA (Platte River):** Colfax County, ½W of Schuyler on U.S. Hwy. 30, 3S on county road. CAP, CCF, FCF, SAR. Map Sheet 42

**Wilkinson WMA:** Platte County, 1 acre in two ponds, 1½S of Platte Center. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map Sheet 35

**A Willow Creek SRA:** Pierce County, 700 acres, 2SW of Pierce. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE, WHB, WIP. Wiper/White bass - daily bag limit of three, with no more than one fish 16 inches or greater. Accessible dock. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake) on west half of lake. Modern and primitive camping. Map Sheet 34

**Willow Lake WMA:** Brown County, 380 acres, 18½S, 12½W, 1N of Ainsworth. BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, WAE, YEP. Primitive camping; boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake); snowmobiles and ATVs allowed on ice. Map Sheet 22

**FFL Wolbach City Pond:** Greeley County, 5 acres, Wolbach, N edge off Neb. Hwy. 22 on Bluff Street. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map Sheet 30

**Wood Duck WMA:** Stanton County, 3SW of Stanton. CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, LMB. Elkhorn River access. Access road to river closed during hunting season. Shallow lakes and oxbow marshes open to fishing. Map Sheet 35

**Yellowbanks WMA (Elkhorn River):** Madison County, 3N, 2½W of Battle Creek. CAP, CCF, FCF. Primitive camping. Map Sheet 34

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## SOUTHWEST

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**FFL 32-Mile H, Prairie Lake:** Adams County, 65 acres, 1½E, 4½S of Juniata. BBH, CAP, CCF. Owned by Little Blue NRD; walk-in access only. Turbid. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 31

**Alda DOR:** Hall County, 12 acres, Alda interchange, NE quadrant. BLG, CCF, LMB, NOP. Northern pike - 34-inch minimum length limit. No boats. Map Sheet 31

**FFL Ansley Lake:** Custer County, 4 acres, west edge of Ansley off Neb. Hwy. 2. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Improved boat ramp. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map Sheet 24

**Archway Lakes:** Buffalo County, 15 acres in four lakes, 2E of Kearney on First Street. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, SMB, YEP. Black bass - 21- inch minimum length limit. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 31

**FFL A Arnold Lake:** Custer County, 4 acres, ½S of Arnold, W side of Neb. Hwy. 40. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Improved boat ramp. Managed by Village of Arnold. Map Sheet 18

**Bader Memorial County Park:** Merrick County, 12 acres in seven lakes, 1½ S of Chapman. BLG, CCF, LMB. Modern and primitive camping. No motorboats. Entrance fee required by county. Map Sheet 37

**FFL Barnett Park Pond:** Red Willow County, 5 acres in two ponds, S edge McCook off U.S. Hwy. 83. BLG, CCF, LMB. No boats. Map Sheet 20

**Bassway Strip WMA:** Buffalo County, 39 acres in two lakes, Minden interchange, ¼S on Neb. Hwy. 10, east on county road back toward I-80. BBH, BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB. Improved boat ramp on west Lake. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). East lake walk-in only. Platte River access. Map Sheet 31

**FFL A Bethphage Pond:** Kearney County, 3 acres, ¼N Axtell. BLG, CCF, LMB. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. No motorboats. Accessible deck. Map Sheet 32

**FFL A Birdwood WMA:** Lincoln County, 20 acres, North Platte interchange, ½S, 3½W, 1N, NW across overpass. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT, ROB, YEP. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Improved boat ramp. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 18

**Blue Hole WMA:** Buffalo County, 37 acres, Elm Creek interchange, SW quadrant. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, SAR. Gravel boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). North channel of Platte River connects to lake. Platte River access. Map Sheet 25

**Bowman Lake:** Sherman County, 10 acres, ½W of Loup City on Neb. Hwy. 92. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21- inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Middle Loup River access. Primitive camping. Area managed by Sherman County. Map Sheet 30

**FFL A Brady Interchange WMA:** Lincoln County, 25 acres, Brady interchange, SE quadrant. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, SMB. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Improved boat ramp. Map Sheet 19

**Bufflehead WMA:** Buffalo County, 15 acres, Kearney interchange, 1N to 11th Street, 3E, 1S, ½E. BLG, CCF, LMB, ROB, YEP. Improved boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 31

**Central City Lake:** Merrick County, 5 acres, ¼W on 31st Street from Neb. Hwy. 14. BLG, CCF, LMB. No motorboats. Map Sheet 36

**Champion Mill Lake:** Chase County, 12 acres, ½W of Champion. CAP, CCF. Shallow lake. Map Sheet 14

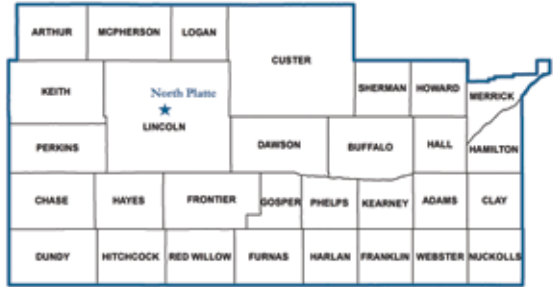
**Chester Island WMA:** Lincoln County, 5.6 acres in six pits, 2S, ½W of Brady. BLG, CCF, LMB, YEP. No boats. Walk-in access only. Map Sheet 19

**FFL Cheyenne SRA:** Hall County, 7 acres, Wood River interchange, NW quadrant. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Primitive camping. Gravel boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 31

**CNNPID Canal (Tri County):** Lincoln County, North Platte to Lexington. CCF, FCF, SAR, SMB, PAH, WAE, WHB, WIP. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheets 18, 19, 25

**Coot Shallows WMA:** Buffalo County, 12 acres, Odessa interchange, ¾N, 1¾W. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Improved boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 25

**Cornhusker WMA:** Hall County, 1 acre, 4W of Grand Island. BLG, CCF, LMB. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Subject to water level fluctuations. Map Sheet 31



**FFL Cottonmill Lake:** Buffalo County, 43 acres, 1W, ½N of Kearney on U.S. Hwy. 30, N of U.S. Hwy. 30 off Cottonmill Avenue. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, WAE. Northern pike - 34-inch minimum length. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Improved boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 31

**A Cozad WMA:** Dawson County, 18 acres, Cozad interchange, SE quadrant. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB, ROB, YEP. Improved boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible ramp. Platte River access - foot traffic only. Map Sheet 25

**Crystal Lake:** Adams County, 5 acres, 2N, 1W of Ayr. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21 inch minimum length limit. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Aquatic habitat project completed in 2018. Lake renovated and restocked in 2018. Modern and primitive camping. Map Sheet 32

**Crystal Lake WMA:** Lincoln County, 7 acres, Maxwell interchange, ¾N, 2W, ½N, 3½W, ½S across overpass. BLG, CCF, LMB, RSF. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map Sheet 18

**Curtis Golf Course Pond:** Frontier County, 1.7 acres, E edge of Curtis, Neb. Hwy. 23 and Arrowhead Meadows Drive. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No boats. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 19

**Darr WMA:** Dawson County, 13 acres, Darr interchange, NW quadrant. BLG, CCF, LMB, ROB. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Gravel boat ramp. Map Sheet 25

**Dogwood WMA:** Dawson County, 12 acres in two lakes, Lexington interchange, 5½E, 2½S across overpass, ¼E. BLG, CCF, CAP, GRC, LMB. Improved boat ramp on east lake. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Platte River access - foot traffic only. Map Sheet 25

**A Eagle Scout Lake:** Hall County, 55 acres, 1N of Grand Island, U.S. Hwy. 281 and N Broadwell Avenue. BBH, BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible deck. Hike-bike trail around lake. Map Sheet 31

**East Gothenburg WMA:** Dawson County, 15 acres, Gothenburg interchange, ½S, ½E, 3½SE and ½E. CCF, CRP, HSF, LMB, RSF. Improved boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 25

**East Hershey WMA:** Lincoln County, 20 acres, North Platte interchange, ½S, 7¾W, 1½N, NE across overpass. BLG, CCF, LMB, ROB. All species - catch-and-release. Possession of any fish species other than baitfish while fishing this lake is prohibited. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Gravel boat ramp. Map Sheet 18

**East Odessa WMA:** Buffalo County, 7 acres, Odessa interchange, 4E on S side of I-80. BLG, CCF, LMB. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Platte River access. Map Sheet 31

**East Sutherland WMA:** Lincoln County, 27 acres, Hershey interchange, ¼S, 3W, ½N, NE across overpass. BLG, CCF, HSF, LMB, NOP, ROB, YEP. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Gravel boat ramp. Map Sheet 18

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**Elm Creek WMA:** Webster County, 4E, 2N of Red Cloud. RBT. One-half mile of Elm Creek is on public land, the remainder on private land, permission required. Trout stocked in March and September. Map Sheet 32

**Elwood Reservoir WMA:** Gosper County, 1,150 acres, 3N of Elwood. BCF, BLG, CCF, CRP, FCF, LMB, MUE, NOP, SPB, WAE, WHB, WIP. Wiper/White bass - daily bag limit of three with no more than one fish 16 inches or greater; Walleye, Sauger, Saugeye - daily bag limit of four may include one from 15 to 18 inches and three over 18 inches or four over 18 inches, but no more than one over 22 inches in length allowed in daily bag. Bank access at entrance. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Subject to summer drawdown. Map Sheet 25

**Enders Reservoir SRA:** Chase County, 1,200 acres, 5E, 4½ of Imperial. CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, LMB, NOP, SMB, WAE, WHB. Primitive and modern camping. All boats allowed. Accessible boat dock. Low-water conditions. Unlawful to boat inside waterfowl refuge from Oct. 1 through end of February. Map Sheet 14

**Farwell South Reservoir:** Howard County, 40 acres, 4W, 3S of Farwell. CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, WAE. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map Sheet 30

**FFL A Fort Kearny SRA:** Kearney County, 21 acres in seven pits, ¾E, 1N of Fort Kearny SHP. BCF, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT. Lake No. 2 catch-and-release for channel and blue catfish. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked in Lake No. 6. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Accessible deck on Lake Nos. 6 and 7. Modern and primitive camping. Map Sheet 31

**Fort McPherson:** Lincoln County, 30 acres, Maxwell interchange, SE quadrant. BLG, CCF, LMB, ROB, RSF, SMB, YEP. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Gravel boat ramp. Map Sheet 18

**FFL A Fremont Slough WMA:** Lincoln County, 30 acres, North Platte interchange, 1½S, 4¾E, ¼N, right turn across canal, ¼N under overpass. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, ROB. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Improved boat ramp. Map Sheet 18

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**Frenchman WMA:** Hayes County, 20 acres in three pits, ½N of Palisade. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map Sheet 20

**Gallagher Canyon Reservoir SRA:** Dawson County, 182 acres, 8S of Cozad. Enter from east from Road 422. CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, FRD, SAR, WAE, WHB, WIP. Daily bag limit of 10 for channel catfish. Primitive camping. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Gravel boat ramp. Map Sheet 25

**Grand Island Eastbound Rest Area:** Hall County, 6 acres, 3E of Grand Island interchange. BLG, CCF, LMB. No boats allowed. Low levels possible. Map Sheet 31

**Grand Island L.E. Ray Lake:** Hall County, 30 acres, Grand Island, N of Husker Hwy. and East Blaine. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, MUE, YEP. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 31

**FFL Grand Island Pier Lake:** Hall County, 9 acres, Grand Island, Ashton Avenue and Bismarck Road. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. No boats. Map Sheet 31

**FFL A Grand Island Such's Lake:** Hall County, 4 acres, Grand Island, Harrison Street. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB, RBT. Accessible deck. No boats. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 31

**Guide Rock Diversion Dam WMA:** Webster County, 2W of Guide Rock. CAP, CCF. Access to Republican River. Map Sheet 32

**Harlan County Reservoir:** Harlan County, 13,500 acres, S of Alma and Republican City. CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, LMB, NOP, WAE, WHB, WIP. Walleye, Sauger, Saugeye - daily bag limit of four may include one from 15 to 18 inches and three over 18 inches or four over 18 inches, but no more than one over 22 inches in length allowed in daily bag. This length regulation in effect on Republican River above Harlan Reservoir up to Neb. Hwy. 183 bridge. Modern and primitive camping. All boats allowed. Subject to summer drawdown. Fish-cleaning stations at Hunter Cove and Methodist Cove. Map Sheet 26

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- Harold W. Anderson WMA (Middle Loup River):** Howard County, 2N, 3E of Dannebrog. CAP, CCF. Map Sheet 30
- Hayes Center Lake WMA:** Hayes County, 50 acres, 12NE of Hayes Center. BBH, BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB, NOP, SAE. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 19
- Heartland Shooting Center Pond:** Hall County, 7 acres, 2W of Grand Island on Husker Hwy. BLG, CCF, LMB. City regulation - Total catch-and-release. Barbless hooks only. Open to fishing during public shooting hours. No boats. Low water possible due to seepage problems. Map Sheet 31
- FFL Heartwell Park Lake:** Adams County, 3 acres, Hastings, E Forest Boulevard. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. No live baitfish can be used or possessed. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. No boats. Map Sheet 31
- FFL A Hershey WMA:** Lincoln County, 53 acres, Hershey interchange, SE quadrant. BLG, CCF, FCF, LMB, NOP, ROB, WAE, YEP. Northern pike - 34-inch minimum length limit. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Improved boat ramp. Map Sheet 18
- FFL A Holdrege City Lake (North Park):** Phelps County, 10 acres, Holdrege, E of U.S. Hwy. 183 on 18th Avenue. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible pier. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 26
- FFL Humphrey Pond:** Keith County, 3 acres, E edge of Ogallala on U.S. Hwy. 30. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. No boats. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 12
- Indian Creek WMA (Republican River):** Webster, 1S of Red Cloud. CAP, CCF, WHB. Map Sheet 32
- Indian Creek WMA Pond:** Webster County, 2 acres, 1S of Red Cloud. BLG, CCF, LMB. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Renovated and restocked in 2018. Accessible fishing pier and parking also added. Map Sheet 32
- A Jeffrey Reservoir WMA:** Lincoln County, 900 acres, 5S, 3W of Brady. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, FRD, SAR, WAE, WHB, WIP. Daily bag limit of 10 for channel catfish. All boats allowed. Subject to frequent water fluctuations. Map Sheet 19
- FFL A Johnson Lake SRA:** Gosper County, 2,189 acres, 7S of Lexington. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, FRD, PAH, SAR, SMB, WAE, WHB, WIP. Daily bag limit of 10 for channel catfish. Primitive and modern camping. All boats allowed. Accessible concrete walkway/fishing area at inlet. Fish-cleaning stations at inlet and near east SRA campground. Map Sheet 25
- A Kea Lake WMA:** Buffalo County, 20 acres, Kearney interchange, SW quadrant. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Improved boat ramp. Accessible ramp access. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Managed by City of Kearney. Map Sheet 31
- Kea West WMA:** Buffalo County, 8 acres, Kearney interchange, 1N to 11th Street, 1¼W, 1S to overpass approach, turn east. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, ROB, YEP. All species - catch-and-release. Possession of any fish species other than baitfish while fishing this lake is prohibited. Gravel boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 31
- Kirkpatrick Memorial Park Lake:** Dawson County, 3 acres, Lexington, 805 N. Taft St. BLG, CCF, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No boats. Renovated in August 2017 and restocked. Rehabilitation project completed in 2018. Map Sheet 25
- Lake Hastings:** Adams County, 63 acres, Hastings, W of U.S. Hwy. 281. BBH, CAP, CCF, CRP. Special city boating regulations. Map Sheet 31
- FFL Lake Helen:** Dawson County, 20 acres, Gothenburg, W of Neb. Hwy. 47 at 25th Street. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Ice-fishing allowed. Improved boat ramp. Managed by City of Gothenburg. Map Sheet 25
- A Lake Maloney SRA:** Lincoln County, 1,600 acres, 6S of North Platte. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, FRD, SMB, WAE, WHB, WIP. Daily bag limit of 10 for channel catfish. Camping. All boats allowed. Accessible deck at inlet. Fish-cleaning stations at inlet and outlet. Map Sheet 18
- Lake McConaughy SRA:** Keith County, 30,000 acres, 10N of Ogallala. BBH, CCF, NOP, SMB, WAE, WHB, WIP, YEP. Unlawful to possess a walleye on that portion of Otter Creek from the junction at the shore of the lake upstream to, and including, the culvert under Neb. Hwy. 92. Modern and primitive camping. All boats allowed. Subject to severe summer drawdowns. Fish-cleaning stations at Martin Bay, Cedar Vue and Otter Creek. From sunset to sunrise, April 1-30, fishing from boat within 30 yards of dam allowed only on that portion of the dam starting 200 feet north of the morning glory (outlet), with travel in a south-to-north (counter clockwise) direction required. Map Sheet 12

**FFL A Lake Ogallala SRA:** Keith County, 650 acres, 10N of Ogallala. CCF, RBT, SMB, TGT, WAE, WHB, WIP, YEP. Modern and primitive camping. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible deck. Fish-cleaning station in NW corner. Map Sheet 12

**Len Koziol WMA (Loup River):** Howard County, 2½N, 2E, ½N of St. Paul. CAP, CCF. Map Sheet 30

**Liberty Cove:** Webster County, 36 acres, 2S, 2½W of Lawrence. BLG, CCF, LMB. Owned by Little Blue NRD. Black bass - 21-inch length limit, NRD regulation. Deck with gravel access. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Subject to low water levels. Map Sheet 32

**Lincoln Park Pond:** Nuckolls County, 1 acre, Superior, W. 4th Street off Neb. Hwy. 14. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Map Sheet 38

**Loch Linda WMA (Platte River):** Hall County, 10S, 3W of Grand Island. CAP, CCF. Access to Platte River. Map Sheet 31

**Marsh Wren WMA:** Howard County, 1 acres, 3N, 3W of St. Paul. BLG, LMB. Access to North Loup River. Map Sheet 30

**Martins Reach WMA (Platte River):** Hall County, 4S, 2W of Wood River. CAP, CCF. Access to Platte River. Map Sheet 31

**Maxwell Rest Stop DOR:** Lincoln County, 5 acres, 3E Maxwell interchange. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. No boats. Map Sheet 18

**A Medicine Creek SRA (Harry Strunk Lake):** Frontier County, 1,850 acres, 2W, 7N of Cambridge. BCF, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, FRD, LMB, SAE, WAE, WHB, WIP. Primitive and modern camping. Cabins. All boats allowed. Subject to severe summer drawdowns. Map Sheet 20

**FFL Melham Park Lake:** Custer County, 4 acres, Broken Bow, N of Memorial Drive, E of N. 5th Avenue. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Aeration system may hamper solid ice formation. Fishing pier. Map Sheet 24

**Midway Canyon Reservoir:** Dawson County, 609 acres, 6S, 2W of Cozad. CCF, CRP, FCF, FRD, PAH, SAR, WAE, WHB, WIP. Daily bag limit of 10 for channel catfish. All boats allowed. Gravel public boat ramp on Road 418. Map Sheet 25

**Minden Biological Learning Center Pond:** Kearney County, 0.5 acres, W. 5th Street, at Minden High School. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map Sheet 32

**Mormon Island DOR (East):** Hall County, 22 acres, Grand Island interchange, N of I-80, 1½E. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Access on foot from Mormon Island SRA. Map Sheet 31

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- FFL Mormon Island SRA (Middle):** Hall County, 19 acres, Grand Island interchange, NE quadrant. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RSF. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Modern and primitive camping. Concrete boat ramp. Map Sheet 31
- FFL A Mormon Island SRA (West):** Hall County, 42 acres, Grand Island interchange, NE quadrant. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, MUE, WAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Modern and primitive camping. Accessible pier. Concrete boat ramp. Map Sheet 31
- Mormon Trail:** Merrick County, 1 acre, 1½S, 2W Clarks. BLG, CCF, LMB. Subject to low water levels. Map Sheet 36
- Narrows WMA:** Webster County, 4W of Red Cloud on U.S. Hwy. 136. CAP, CCF, WHB. Access to Republican River. Map Sheet 32
- North Kearney Rest Area (westbound) DOR:** Buffalo County, 7 acres, 2W of Kearney interchange at exit 272 on I-80 to rest stop. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. No boats. Map Sheet 31
- FFL North Loup SRA:** Howard County, 7 acres, 3N of St. Paul, just N of the North Loup River on U.S. Hwy. 281. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map Sheet 30
- FFL A North Platte I-80 City Lake:** Lincoln County, 26 acres, North Platte I-80 interchange, exit 177, south on U.S. Hwy. 83, first left turn. BLG, CCF, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Improved boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Fishing deck. Map Sheet 18
- North Platte River:** Keith County, Keystone to Paxton. RBT. Private access, permission required. Map Sheet 12
- North River WMA (Platte River):** Lincoln County, 2½N of Hershey. CAP, CCF. Encompasses 2 miles of North Platte River. Map Sheet 18
- Otter Creek:** Keith County, 12E of Lewellen. BNT, RBT. Private property, permission required. Map Sheet 12
- FFL Oxford City Lake:** Furnas County, 2 acres, ¼S of downtown on Central Avenue. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 26
- Pawnee Slough WMA:** Lincoln County, 30 acres, 2W of Maxwell on U.S. Hwy. 30. BLG, CCF, LMB, RSF. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Gravel boat ramp. Map Sheet 18
- Phillips Canyon Reservoir:** Gosper County, 142 acres, 8S, 1E, 1N Lexington. CCF, CRP, FRD, SAR, WAE, WHB, WIP. Daily bag limit of 10 for channel catfish. Primitive boat ramp. All boats allowed. Unimproved access road - dry weather only. Map Sheet 25
- Pioneer Trails Lake:** Hamilton County, 45 acres, 1N, 1½E Aurora. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, SAE. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Modern and primitive camping. Managed by Upper Big Blue NRD. Map Sheet 37
- Plum Creek Canyon Reservoir:** Dawson County, 252 acres, 8S, 3½E Cozad. CCF, CRP, FCF, FRD, SAR, WAE, WHB, WIP. Daily bag limit of 10 for channel catfish. Improved concrete boat ramp in 2017. All boats allowed. Map Sheet 25
- FFL Plum Creek Park Lake:** Dawson County, 3 acres, Lexington, N. Adams (Rt. 21) and W. 13th streets. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. No boats. Lake rehabilitation project completed and restocked in spring of 2016. Map Sheet 25
- Pressey WMA:** Custer County, 2 acres, 3N, 1E Oconto. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Dense aquatic vegetation. Map Sheet 24
- A Ravenna Lake:** Buffalo County, 16 acres, 1SE of Ravenna, N of Neb. Hwy. 2. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Primitive and modern camping. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Gravel boat ramp. Accessible deck. Managed by Buffalo County. Excessive aquatic vegetation during summer. Map Sheet 30
- A Red Willow SRA (Hugh Butler Lake):** Frontier County, 1,630 acres, 11N of McCook. CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, LMB, NOP, SAE, SMB, WAE, WHB, WIP. Northern pike - 34-inch minimum length limit. Subject to low water levels. Modern camping. All boats allowed. Accessible fishing dock and three accessible boat ramps and docks. Map Sheet 20
- A Rock Creek Lake SRA:** Dundy County, 50 acres, 4N, 1W of Parks. CCF, LMB, RBT, RSF, TGT, YEP. Primitive camping. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible pier and two accessible boat docks. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 14

**Sac Wilcox WMA:** Phelps County, 2 acres in three lakes, 10E, 3S of Holdrege. BLG, CCF, LMB. Seepage problem on two lakes. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map Sheet 26

**FFL A Sandy Channel SRA:** Buffalo County, 52 acres in six lakes, 2S of Elm Creek I-80 interchange. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, MUE, ROB, WAE, YEP. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Muskie in Lake 8. Concrete boat ramps on lakes 2, 4 and 8. Accessible piers on lakes 4 and 8. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Primitive camping. Map Sheet 25

**Sherman Reservoir SRA:** Sherman County, 2,845 acres, 4E, 1N of Loup City. CCF, CRP, FCF, NOP, WAE, WHB. Walleye - daily bag limit can include two walleye between 15 inches and not greater than 20 inches and one walleye greater than 28 inches. Slot length limit protecting walleye 20 through 28 inches; Crappie - 10-inch minimum length limit; Northern Pike - 34-inch minimum length limit. Primitive camping. All boats allowed. Subject to summer drawdowns. Waters within 150 feet of dam, including spawning reefs on SW end of dam, are closed to fishing from sunset to sunrise April 1-20. Fish-cleaning stations at Trail 2 area near main boat ramp parking lot and at Trail 1 (Thunder Bay boat ramp). Map Sheet 30

**FFL Silver Creek City Pond:** Merrick County, 4 acres, S on Neb. Hwy. 39. BLG, CCF, LMB. Electric motors or non-powered boats allowed. Map Sheet 36

**South Kearney Rest Area (eastbound) DOR:** Buffalo County, 1 acre, 6E of Odessa interchange at exit 263 to rest stop. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RSF. No boats. Map Sheet 31

**Sutherland Cooling Pond:** Lincoln County, 220 acres, 2S of Sutherland. CAP, CCF, FRD, LMB, WAE, WHB, WIP, YEP. No boats or wading. Map Sheet 18

**A Sutherland Reservoir SRA:** Lincoln County, 3,000 acres, 2S of Sutherland. CCF, FRD, SMB, WAE, WHB, WIP, YEP. Daily bag limit of 10 for channel catfish. Ice fishermen use caution due to heated discharge from power plant. Primitive camping. All boats allowed. Accessible pier and fish-cleaning station at inlet. Map Sheets 12, 18

**Sutherland Supply Canal:** Keith County, CCF, RBT, SMB, TGT, WAE, WIP. Canal exempt from the one trout over 16 inches in the daily bag limit restriction. Access via power district roads. No boats. Dewatered often. Map Sheet 12

**FFL Sutton Clark Pond:** Clay County, 1 acre, Sutton, Glen Avenue and West Cedar Street. BLG, CCF, LMB. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. No boats. Map Sheet 37

**Sutton Detention Pond:** Clay County, 1 acre, W. Maple and N. Euclid Avenue. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map Sheet 37

**Swanson Reservoir SRA:** Hitchcock County, 5,000 acres, 2W of Trenton. BCF, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, FRD, LMB, WAE, WHB, WIP. All boats allowed. Subject to severe summer drawdowns. Modern and primitive camping. Map Sheets 14, 20

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**Union Pacific SRA:** Buffalo County, 15 acres, Odessa interchange, NE quadrant. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, ROB. Primitive camping. Gravel boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 25

**FFL A Victoria Springs Lake SRA:** Custer County, 6 acres, 6E of Anselmo off Neb. Spur S21A. BLG, CCF, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Improved boat ramp. Cabins and camping. Fish kill in 2017. Dense aquatic vegetation during summer. Map Sheet 23

**War Axe SRA:** Buffalo County, 14 acres, Shelton interchange, NE quadrant. BLG, CCF, RSF, SMB, WAE, YEP. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Gravel boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Primitive camping. Map Sheet 31

**Wellfleet Lake:** Lincoln County, 50 acres, ½SW of Wellfleet. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE, WHB. Primitive camping. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Sand boat launch. Leased and managed by the City of Wellfleet. Ice conditions can vary due to inflow. Map Sheet 19

**FFL A West Brady WMA:** Lincoln County, 6 acres, Brady interchange, ¾N, 3W across overpass. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RSF. All species - catch-and-release. Possession of any fish species other than baitfish while fishing this lake prohibited. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Improved boat ramp. Map Sheet 18

**West Cozad WMA:** Dawson County, 18 acres, Cozad interchange, ½N, ¼W, ¼N, 1W, 1S. CCF, LMB, ROB, RSF. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 25

**FFL A West Gothenburg WMA:** Lincoln County, 15 acres, Brady interchange, 4½E on U.S. Hwy. 30, ¼S across tracks. BLG, CCF, LMB, ROB, RSF. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Improved boat ramp. Map Sheet 19

**West Hershey WMA:** Lincoln County, 6 acres, Hershey interchange, ½W. BLG, CCF, LMB. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Access across private land. Map Sheet 18

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**FFL A West Maxwell WMA:** Lincoln County, 7 acres, Maxwell interchange,  $\frac{3}{4}$ N,  $\frac{3}{4}$ W,  $\frac{1}{4}$ S. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, ROB, RSF. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Improved boat ramp. Map Sheet 18

**West Wood River WMA:** Hall County, 15 acres, Wood River interchange,  $\frac{1}{2}$ S, 1W, N across overpass,  $\frac{1}{4}$ W. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Gravel boat ramp. Map Sheet 31

**Willow Island WMA:** Dawson County, 24 acres,  $\frac{5}{4}$ W of Cozad on U.S. Hwy. 30,  $\frac{3}{4}$ S across overpass. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB. Lake connects to Platte River. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Sand boat ramp. Fish kill in 2018. Map Sheet 25

**FFL A Windmill SRA:** Buffalo County, 23 acres in six pits, Gibbon interchange, NE quadrant. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT. Lake No. 3 is catch-and-release for channel and blue catfish. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Accessible deck at Lake No. 2. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Modern and primitive camping. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked in Lake No. 2. Map Sheet 31

**FFL A Yanney Park Lake:** Buffalo County, 20 acres, Kearney, off W. 11th Street. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT, YEP. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Accessible fishing pier. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map Sheet 31

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**Alexandria Southwest WMA (Big Sandy Creek):** Jefferson County,  $\frac{1}{2}$ S, 1E of Alexandria. CAP, CCF. Map Sheet 38

**Alexandria SRA:** Jefferson County, 43 acres in two lakes, 2S, 3E of Alexandria. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, RSF. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Water level may be low. Modern and primitive camping. Map Sheet 38

**Arrowhead WMA:** Gage County, 77 acres, 3E,  $\frac{1}{2}$ S of Diller. BBH, CAP, CCF. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Turbid and shallow. Map Sheet 44

**Aspinwall Bend WMA (Missouri and Little Nemaha rivers):** Nemaha County,  $\frac{3}{4}$ S of Nemaha. BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. *Zebra mussel infested area.* Map Sheet 49

**FFL Auburn Rotary Club Lake:** Nemaha County, 5 acres, Auburn, 7th and J streets. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT, WIP. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 49

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**FFL Baright Lake (Eugene T. Mahoney SP):** Cass County, 4 acres, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Total catch and release; no harvest allowed. No fishing in immediate marina area. No motorboats. Map Sheet 42

**Bear Pierce Cedar 2A:** Gage County, 24 acres, 4N, 3½E of U.S. Hwy. 77/U.S. Hwy. 136 junction. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Owned by the Lower Big Blue NRD. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 44

**Bennington Lake:** Douglas County, 270 acres, 180th and Bennington Road. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, SMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. No ice-fishing. Public access on jetty located ½W of 168th Street (intersection of Neb. Hwy. 36 and Newport Landing). Map Sheet 47

**FFL Benson Park Pond:** Douglas County, 4 acres, Omaha, off 72nd Street at Military and Ames Avenue intersection. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Restricted to children under 16, adults with actively fishing children, and adults 65 or older. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Owned by City of Omaha. Map Sheet 47

**Big Indian 11A:** Gage County, 76 acres, 3S, 3W of Wymore. BLG, CCF, LMB, SAE. Modern and primitive camping. Concrete boat ramp. All boats allowed. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Owned by Lower Big Blue NRD. Map Sheet 44

**Blue Bluffs WMA (Big Blue River):** Seward County, ½N, 1E, 2S of Milford. CAP, CCF, FCF. Map Sheet 43

**Blue River SRA (Big Blue River):** Saline County, 3½N of Dorchester. CAP, CCF, FCF. Map Sheet 43

**Blue Valley (Big Blue River):** Seward County, ½S of Seward. CAP, CCF, FCF. Map Sheet 43

**Bluestem Lake SRA:** Lancaster County, 326 acres, 2½W of Sprague. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, LMB, WAE. Primitive camping. Concrete boat ramp. All boats allowed. Map Sheet 43

**A Bowling Lake:** Lancaster County, 12 acres, Lincoln, NW 48th and W. Cuming streets (Airpark). BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Concrete boat ramp. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Owned by City of Lincoln. Accessible deck. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked in south pond. Map Sheet 43

**Bowwood WMA:** Pawnee County, 6 acres, 2S of Steinauer. BLG, CCF, LMB. Electric motors or non-powered boats allowed. Map Sheet 49

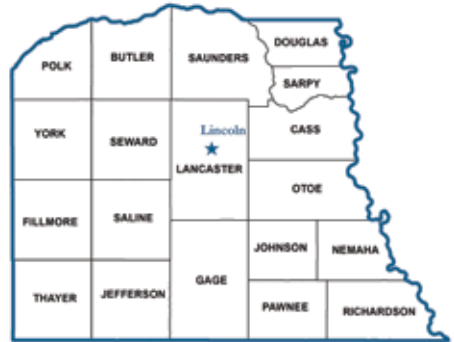
**Bramble WMA (Platte River):** Saunders County, 5W, 2N of Cedar Bluffs. BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. Map Sheet 42

**A Branched Oak Lake SRA:** Lancaster County, 1,800 acres, ½W, 4N of Malcolm. BCF, BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, FRD, LMB, STB, WAE, WHP, WIP. Walleye - daily bag limit of one, 22 inches or longer; Crappie - 10-inch minimum length limit; striped bass, white bass, wiper and flathead catfish - catch-and-release. Modern and primitive camping. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake) 400 feet lakeward from dam and 90 feet from all other shorelines or as posted as no-wake areas. From sundown to sunrise, boats restricted to 5 mph on entire lake. Several concrete boat ramps available. Accessible deck by marina. Accessible pit toilet at Area 10 campground. Fish-cleaning stations at Areas 5 and 11. Map Sheet 43

**Brownville SRA (Missouri River):** Nemaha County, 1E of Brownville. BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. Concrete boat ramp. Primitive camping. *Zebra mussel infested area*. Map Sheet 49

**Bruning Dam:** Fillmore County, 258 acres, 2½E, 1N of Bruning. BBH, CAP, CCF. Owned by Little Blue NRD. Turbid. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 38

**Buckley 3F:** Jefferson County, 22 acres, 7W, 4½S of Fairbury. CCF. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Owned by Little Blue NRD. Turbid. Map Sheet 38



- A Burchard Lake:** Pawnee County, 150 acres, 3E, ½N of Burchard. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE, YEP. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Fishing restricted to shoreline or on ice from Oct. 15-Jan. 15. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Concrete boat ramp. Accessible pier. Primitive camping. Map Sheet 44
- A Carter Lake:** Douglas County, 300 acres, Omaha, Abbott Drive and Carter Blvd. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. All boats allowed. Special boating regulations posted. East arm has no-wake, 5 mph speed limit. Concrete boat ramp. Accessible deck. Open 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. *Suspect lake for zebra mussels.* Map Sheet 47
- Catfish Run WMA (Salt Creek):** Sarpy County, ¾E of Ashland. BCF, CAP, CCF, FCF, SNS. Map Sheet 42
- CenturyLink Lake:** Cass County, 10 acres, Eugene T. Mahoney SP, I-80 exit 426. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Boat ramp. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 42
- Clatonia 3A:** Gage County, 46 acres, 1N of Clatonia. BBH, CCF. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Owned by Lower Big Blue NRD. Turbid. Low water levels. Map Sheet 44
- Conestoga Lake SRA:** Lancaster County, 230 acres, 1½N of Denton. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Primitive and modern camping. Concrete boat ramp. Boating restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Rehabilitation project completed in 2018. Map Sheet 43
- Cottontail:** Lancaster County, 29 acres, ½N of Martell. BLG, CCF, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Subject to frequent summer fish kills. Owned by Lower Platte South NRD. Map Sheet 43
- Crystal Springs Lakes:** Jefferson County, 6 acres in two lakes, Fairbury, Crystal Springs Road, W of Frederick Street. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB, RBT. No boats. Camping. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked in middle lake. Map Sheet 44
- Cub Creek Watershed 12A:** Jefferson County, 27 acres, 3W, 4½S of Plymouth. CAP, CCF. Boat ramp. All boats allowed. Turbid. Owned by Lower Big Blue NRD. Primitive camping. Lake drained for renovation until 2019. Map Sheet 44
- A Czechland Lake:** Saunders County, 85 acres, 1N, ¼W of Prague. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE. Crappie - 10-inch minimum length limit. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible pier. Owned by Lower Platte North NRD. Primitive and modern camping. Map Sheet 42
- FFL David City Park Ponds:** Butler County, 6 acres in three ponds, David City, S edge east side of Neb. Hwy. 15. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB, RBT. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked in west lake. Map Sheet 42
- Diamond WMA:** Gage County, 43 acres in two lakes, 3½W of Odell. BBH, CCF, FCF. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Turbid. Map Sheet 44
- Donald Whitney WMA:** Gage County, 43 acres in two lakes, 3½W of Odell. BBH, CCF, FCF. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Turbid. Map Sheet 44
- Duck Creek Recreation Area:** Nemaha County, 65 acres, 3½W, 1N of Peru. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Owned by Nemaha NRD (NRD entry permit required). Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 49
- Elkhorn Crossing (Elkhorn River):** Douglas County, 252nd Street on Bennington Road. BBH, CAP, CCF, FCF, SNS. Owned by Papio-Missouri River NRD. Open April 1-Nov. 1, 6 a.m.-10 p.m. Camping and canoe launch. Map Sheet 42
- Fairbury Dam (Little Blue River):** Jefferson County, Fairbury, S edge at C Street. CAP, CCF, FCF. Trail and decks on old railroad bridge. Map Sheet 44
- A Flanagan Lake:** Douglas County, 225 acres, Omaha, 168th and Fort streets. BLG, LMB, NOP, RSF. Total catch and release; no harvest allowed. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible fishing pier. Map Sheet 47
- Flathead WMA (Little Blue River):** Jefferson County, 1S of Fairbury. CAP, CCF, FCF. Map Sheet 44

**Fontenelle Park Pond:** Douglas County, 4 acres, Omaha, 45th and Ames Avenue at Fontenelle Boulevard. BLG, CCF, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Restricted to children under 16, adults with actively fishing children, and adults 65 or older. Rehabilitation project in 2017. Map Sheet 47

**Friend City Lake:** Saline County, 1 acre, City of Friend. BLG, CCF, LMB. Largemouth bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Map Sheet 37

**Glenn Cunningham Lake:** Douglas County, 390 acres, Omaha, 96th and State streets. BBH, BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, SAE, WAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Canoe/kayak launch on west access. Accessible pier. Drained in fall of 2018 to eliminate zebra mussels and common carp. Open 5 a.m.-11 p.m. Map Sheet 47

**Graske Crossing (Elkhorn River):** Douglas County, SE corner of Elkhorn River and W. Dodge Road (Skyline Drive exit). BBH, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, SNS. Owned by Papio-Missouri River NRD. Open April 1-Nov. 1, 6 a.m.-10 p.m. Canoe launch. Map Sheet 37

**Hamburg Bend WMA (Missouri River):** Otoe County, 4 SE of Nebraska City, south of Omaha Public Power District power plant. BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. River access - half-mile walk. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). *Zebra mussel infested area.* Map Sheet 48

**Hanscom Park Pond:** Douglas County, 1 acre, Omaha, 32nd Avenue and Center Street. BLG, CCF, LMB. Restricted to children under 16, adults with actively fishing children and adults 62 or older. Map Sheet 47

**Haworth Park (Missouri River):** Sarpy County, Bellevue, Payne Drive off Neb. Hwy. 370. BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. Concrete boat ramp owned by City of Bellevue. Launching fee. *Zebra mussel infested area.* Map Sheet 47

**Haworth Park Pond:** Sarpy County, 1 acre, Bellevue, E edge off Neb. Hwy. 370. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map Sheet 47

**Hedgefield Lake WMA:** Lancaster County, 44 acres, 2W, ½N of Panama. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Concrete boat ramp. Accessible fishing pier. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 43

**Hitchcock Park Pond:** Douglas County, 2 acres, Omaha, 42nd and Q streets. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Restricted to children under 16, adults with actively fishing children and adults 62 or older. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 47

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**Homestead Lake:** Butler County, 38 acres, 1N, ½W of Bruno. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Owned by Lower Platte North NRD. Fish kill in 2018. Map Sheet 42

**FFL Humboldt City Park Lake:** Richardson County, 1 acre, Humboldt, S edge of town, W off Neb. Hwy. 105 at Railroad Street. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 49

**Highway 50 Bridge (Platte River):** Cass County, 1N of Louisville. BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, SNS. Concrete boat ramp. Map Sheet 47

**Independence Landing Lake:** Seward County, 2 acres, N 14th Street on W edge of Seward. BLG, CCF, LMB. Owned by City of Seward. Map Sheet 43

**Indian Cave SP (Missouri River):** Richardson County, 4E of Barada. BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. Concrete boat ramp. Modern and primitive camping. *Zebra mussel infested area.* Map Sheet 49

**A Iron Horse Trail Lake:** Pawnee County, 85 acres, ½N, 2W of DuBois. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, SAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Owned by Nemaha NRD (NRD entry permit required). Accessible concrete boat ramp and fishing pier. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Primitive and modern camping. Map Sheet 49

**Jack Sinn WMA (Rock Creek):** Lancaster County, 2S of Ceresco. BBH, CCF. Map Sheet 42

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**Killdeer Lake WMA:** Lancaster County, 20 acres, 2½N of Martell. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map Sheet 43

**Kinter's Ford WMA (Big Nemaha River):** Richardson County, 1N, 2½E of Dubois on Neb. Hwy. 8. CAP, CCF, FCF. Map Sheet 49

**Kirkman's Cove:** Richardson County, 160 acres, 1N, 2W of Humboldt. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB. Owned by Nemaha NRD (NRD entry permit required). Turbid. Concrete boat ramp. 35-mph maximum on lower two-thirds of lake. No personal watercraft. Map Sheet 49

**Kramer Park Lake:** Sarpy County, 7 acres, N side of Neb. Hwy. 370 at Missouri River bridge. BLG, CCF, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Map Sheet 47

**FFL Lake Halleck:** Sarpy County, 4 acres, Papillion, E of S. Washington Street (Neb. Hwy. 85) on E. Lincoln Street. BLG, CCF, HSF, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 47

**A Lake Wanahoo:** Saunders County, 637 acres, ½N of Wahoo. BBH, BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, NOP, WAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Northern pike - catch-and-release. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Accessible concrete boat ramp and fishing pier. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Owned by Lower Platte North NRD (NRD permit required). Map Sheet 42

**Lakeview Park Lake (Henderson Pond):** York County, 4 acres, Henderson, SW of Birch and Main streets. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map Sheet 37

**Langdon Bend WMA (Missouri River):** Nemaha County, 1E of Nemaha. BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. *Zebra mussel infested area.* Map Sheet 49

**Lawrence Youngman Lake:** Douglas County, 60 acres, Omaha, 192nd and West Dodge Road. BLG, CCF, LMB, WAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Operated by City of Omaha. Map Sheet 47

**Leisure Lake (Cub Creek 9B):** Jefferson County, 25 acres, 3S, ½E of Plymouth. BLG, CCF, LMB. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Concrete boat ramp. Owned by Lower Big Blue NRD. Primitive camping. Map Sheet 44

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**Lied Platte River Hike Bike Bridge (Platte River):** Cass County, S of South Bend. BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, SNS. Deck. Contact Platte River SP for details. Map Sheet 48

**Little Blue East WMA (Little Blue River):** Thayer County, 4E of Hebron. CCF, FCF. Map Sheet 38

**Little Blue WMA (Little Blue River):** Thayer County, 2E of Hebron. CCF, FCF. Map Sheet 38

**^ Lone Star Recreation Area:** Fillmore County, 75 acres, 3½E, ½S of Iowa. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, SAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Accessible fishing deck. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Primitive and modern camping. Fish kill in 2018. Owned by Little Blue NRD. Map Sheet 38

**FFL ^ Louisville SRA:** Cass County, 40 acres in 5 pits, ½NW of Louisville. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RSF. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Boat launch areas available. Accessible fishing deck and restroom on Lake 2. Fishing piers on several lakes. Modern, accessible and primitive camping. Map Sheets 47, 48

**Louisville SRA (Platte River):** Cass County, ½NW of Louisville. BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, SNS. Concrete boat ramp just west of Neb. Hwy. 50, on north side of river. Map Sheet 47

**Margrave WMA (Big Nemaha River):** Richardson County, 1½S, 2¾E of Preston. CAP, CCF, FCF. Access to river, half-mile walk. Map Sheet 49

**Mayberry WMA:** Pawnee County, 25 acres, 5N, 1¼E of Burchard. BBH, BLG, CCF, LMB. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Walk-in access. Map Sheet 44

**^ Meadowlark:** Seward County, 55 acres, 4W, 1N, 1½W of Agnew. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, SAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Accessible concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Owned by Lower Platte South NRD. Map Sheet 42

**FFL ^ Memphis Lake SRA:** Saunders County, 81 acres, ¼W of Memphis. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, RSF. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible fishing deck. Primitive camping. Map Sheet 42

**Merganser Lake:** Lancaster County, 41 acres, ½N, 1E, ¼N of Kramer. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Rock/gravel boat ramp. Owned by Lower Platte South NRD. Map Sheet 43

**Meridian WMA (Little Blue River):** Thayer County, 3S, ½W of Alexandria. CAP, CCF, FCF. Map Sheet 38

**Midlands Lake:** Sarpy County, 11 acres, Papillion, Washington and Capehart Road. BLG, CCF, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Map Sheet 47

**Miller Park Pond:** Douglas County, 4 acres, Omaha, 30th Street and Redick Avenue. BLG, CCF, LMB. Restricted to children under 16, adults with actively fishing children and adults 65 or older. Map Sheet 47

**N.P. Dodge Memorial Park (Missouri River):** Douglas County, Omaha, 11000 N. River Road. BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. Concrete boat ramp. Primitive camping. *Zebra mussel infested area*. Map Sheet 47

**Oak Lake:** Lancaster County, 47 acres in three lakes, Lincoln, Charleston Street and Sun Valley Boulevard. BBH, CAP, GSF, WHP. City of Lincoln lake. Shallow. Subject to fish kills. No boats. Map Sheet 43

**FFL ^ Olive Creek Lake SRA:** Lancaster County, 175 acres, 2E, 1S of Kramer. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, RSF, SAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Fish kill in 2018. Primitive camping. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible fishing pier. Map Sheet 43

**Osage WMA:** Johnson County, 4 acres in four ponds, 3N, 2W, ¾N of Tecumseh. BLG, LMB. Electric motor or non-powered boats. Map Sheet 49

**Overland Trail Lake:** York County, 14 acres, 3E, 1½S of York. BLG, CCF, LMB. Owned by Upper Big Blue NRD. Dam leaks, low water levels. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 37

**Oxbow Trail Lake:** Butler County, 43 acres, 1½ E of Ulysses. BBH, BLG, CRP, CCF, LMB. Owned by Upper Big Blue NRD. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Water may be low. Map Sheet 42

**Papio D-4:** Douglas County, 30 acres, NW Omaha - ¼N of Neb. Hwy. 36 and 98th Street. BLG, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Owned by Papio-Missouri NRD. Walk-in access only. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map Sheet 47

**Pawnee City Pond:** Pawnee County, 1 acres, SW edge of Pawnee City, W side of Neb. Hwy. 65. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 49

**Pawnee Lake SRA:** Lancaster County, 740 acres, 2N, 1½W of Emerald. BLG, BUF, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, FRD, LMB, NOP, SAE, WAE, WHP. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Modern and primitive camping. All boats allowed. Several concrete boat ramps. Fish-cleaning station at main boat ramp. Map Sheet 43

**Pawnee Prairie WMA:** Pawnee County, 5 acres in seven ponds, 6S, 2E, 2S of Burchard. BLG, LMB. Walk-in access only. Map Sheet 44

**Peru (Missouri River):** Nemaha County, 1½E of Peru. BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. Concrete boat ramp. *Zebra mussel infested area*. Map Sheet 49

**Platte River Landing:** Douglas County, E corner of Neb. Hwy. 64 bridge. BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, SNS. Open April 1-Nov. 1, 6 a.m.-10 p.m. Canoe launch. Owned by Papio-Missouri River NRD. Map Sheet 42

**Plattsmouth City Lake:** Cass County, 3 acres, Plattsmouth, S. 18th Street and 5th Avenue. BLG, CCF, LMB. Accessible fishing pier. Map Sheet 47

**Prairie Knoll WMA:** Pawnee County, 6 acres, 2W, 2N DuBois. BLG, CCF, LMB. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map Sheet 49

**Prairie Queen Recreation Area (West Papillion No. 5):** Sarpy County, 105 acres, Papillion, 126th and Cornhusker. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RSF, WAE. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Open 6 a.m.-10 p.m. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 47

**Prairie View Lake:** Douglas County, 42 acres, 2W of Bennington, 180th and Neb. Hwy. 36. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Owned by Papio-Missouri River NRD. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Open 6 a.m.-10 p.m. Map Sheet 47

**Recharge Lake:** York County, 49 acres, 1½W of York. BLG, CAP, CRP, CCF, LMB. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Owned by Upper Big Blue NRD. Map Sheet 37

**Red Cedar:** Saunders County, 50 acres, 5½N, 2W of Valparaiso. BLG, CCF, LMB. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Boat ramp. Owned by Lower Platte South NRD. Turbid. Map Sheet 42

**Redtail WMA:** Butler County, 17 acres, 1E, ½N of Dwight. BLG, CCF, LMB. Walk-in access only. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map Sheet 42

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**Rockford Lake SRA:** Gage County, 150 acres, 7E, 2S of Beatrice. BBH, BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, LMB, WAE, WHP. All boats allowed. Concrete boat ramp. Primitive and modern camping. Map Sheet 44

**Rose Creek WMA (Rose Creek - 2 locations):** Jefferson County, 2S, 2½W, 1½S and 2S, 3½W, 2S of Fairbury. BBH, CAP, CCF. Map Sheet 44

**Rulo Access (Missouri River):** Richardson County, S of U.S. Hwy. 159 bridge near Rulo. BBH, BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. Concrete boat ramp. *Zebra mussel infested area.* Map Sheet 49

**Schilling WMA (Missouri and Platte Rivers):** Cass County, Plattsmouth, N on Schilling Road from Main Street. BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. Bank access to Missouri and Platte rivers, except when closed due to poor road conditions. *Zebra mussel infested area.* Map Sheet 47

**Schwer Park Pond:** Sarpy County, 2 acres, Papillion, W. Centennial Road W of 84th Street. BLG, CCF, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Map Sheet 47

**Shadow Lake:** Sarpy County, 30 acres, Papillion, Washington and Capehart Rd. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 47

**Smith Creek:** Seward County, 21 acres, 2N, 2W, ¼N of Beaver Crossing. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Owned by Upper Big Blue NRD. Turbid. Map Sheet 37

**Spring Lake Park Pond:** Douglas County, 2 acres, Spring Lake Drive and F Street, Omaha. BLG, CCF, LMB. Owned by City of Omaha. Map Sheet 47

**^ Stagecoach Lake SRA:** Lancaster County, 195 acres, 1½S, ½W of Hickman. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Primitive and modern camping. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible fishing pier. Renovated in summer of 2018. Map Sheet 43

**Standing Bear Lake:** Douglas County, 135 acres, Omaha, 132nd and Military. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, FRD, LMB, RBT, WAE, YEB. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Owned by City of Omaha. Concrete boat ramp. Open 5 a.m.-11 p.m. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 47

**Stanton Lake:** Richardson County, 2 acres, NW Falls City, W end of W. 25th Street. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Modern campground. Picnic shelter and restrooms. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 49

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**Swan Creek 2A WMA:** Saline County, 16 acres, 14W, 3N of Wilber. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Shallow. Map Sheets 37, 43

**Swan Creek 67:** Saline County, 39 acres, 3N, 1W of Swanton. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Owned by Lower Big Blue NRD. Map Sheet 44

**Talmage Park Lake:** Otoe County, 1 acre, Talmage. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map Sheet 48

**Tanglewood:** Lancaster County, 33 acres, ½N, 1W, ½S of Kramer. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Owned by Lower Platte South NRD. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 43

**Teal Lake WMA -** Lancaster County, 29 acres, 2S of Kramer. BBH, BLG, CCF, LMB. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Subject to frequent fish kills due to low water. Map Sheet 43

**Tecumseh City Pond:** Johnson County, 2 acres, Tecumseh, N. 1st Street at fairgrounds. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map Sheet 49

**<sup>A</sup> Timber Point:** Butler County, 28 acres, 1S, 2E of Brainard. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, MUE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Accessible concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 42

**Towl Park Pond:** Douglas County, 1 acre, Omaha, West Center Road and 93rd. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Restricted to children under 16, adults with actively fishing children and adults 65 or older. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 47

**Twin Lakes WMA:** Seward County, 270 acres in two lakes, 2½N, ½W of Pleasant Dale. BBH, BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE, WHB. Concrete boat ramp on east lake. Closed to fishing Oct. 15 through Dec. 31. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). West lake extremely shallow. Map Sheet 43

**Twin Oaks WMA:** Johnson County, 2 acres in two ponds, 2E, 4S of Tecumseh. BLG, LMB. Electric motors or non-powered boats allowed. Map Sheet 49

**Twin Oaks WMA (Big Nemaha River):** Johnson County, 2E, 2S, ¾W of Tecumseh. CAP, CCF, FCF. Half-mile walk-in access to river. Map Sheet 49

**<sup>FFL A</sup> Two Rivers SRA:** Douglas County, 32 acres in seven pits, 1½S of Venice. BBH, BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT, SMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Lake Nos. 3 and 4 are catch-and-release for channel and blue catfish. Trout fishing in Lake No. 5 best from April 1 to early June. Open dates for trout fishing will be published and posted. Trout fishing hours 7 a.m. to sunset. Daily trout tag required to attempt to take and to possess trout on entire area March 1 through June 30. Cost of a tag is \$6, which allows harvest of four trout. Anglers may purchase up to three tags, and can possess up to 12 trout. An adult angler is allowed to have two children under 16 fish under their tag, but group still limited to four trout per tag. One pole or rod and reel per angler on Lake No. 5. Purchase trout tags at park office. No tag required to fish Lake No. 5 from July 1-Jan. 31. No boats on Lake No. 5; other lakes electric motors or non-powered boats allowed. Accessible fishing deck on Lake No. 5. Cabins and camping. Map Sheet 42

**Two Rivers SRA (Platte River):** Douglas County, 1½S of Venice. BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, SNS. Walk-in river access. Map Sheet 42

**<sup>FFL</sup> Verdon Lake SRA:** Richardson County, 30 acres, ½W of Verdon. BBH, BLG, CCF, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Primitive camping. Fish kill in 2018. Map Sheet 49

**<sup>FFL A</sup> Wagon Train Lake SRA:** Lancaster County, 315 acres, 2E of Hickman. BLG, CCF, CRP, FRD, LMB, MUE, RSF, WAE, WHP, WIP. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit; Wiper - daily bag limit of three, with no more than one fish 16 inches or greater. Primitive and modern camping. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible pier. Map Sheet 43

**Walnut Creek 2A:** Saline County, 26 acres, ½E, 3 ½N of Crete. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Concrete boat ramp, boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Owned by Lower Big Blue NRD. Primitive camping. Map Sheet 43

**FEL A Walnut Creek Reservoir:** Sarpy County, 100 acres, Papillion, 96th and Neb. Hwy. 370. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RSF, WAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. City of Papillion lake. Open 6 a.m.-10 p.m. Accessible fishing deck and island. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Concrete boat ramp. Primitive and modern camping. Map Sheet 47

**Walnut Grove Park Pond:** Douglas County, 1 acre, Millard, Q Street across from Millard South High School. BLG, CCF, LMB. Restricted to children under 16, adults with actively fishing children and adults 62 or older. Map Sheet 47

**Waterloo River Access (Elkhorn River):** Douglas County, SE corner of Elkhorn River and W. Maple Road. BBH, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, SNS. Owned by Village of Waterloo. Canoe launch. Map Sheet 42

**Weeping Water Pond:** Cass County, 4 acres, Weeping Water, S of Clinton Street. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map Sheet 48

**A Wehrspann Lake Recreation Area:** Sarpy County, 245 acres, Omaha, 156th and Giles Road. BBH, BCF, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible pier. Owned by Papio-Missouri River NRD. Open 6 a.m.-10 p.m. Map Sheet 47

**Whitehawk Lake:** Douglas County, 30 acres, Omaha, 192 Road and F Street. BLG, CCF, LMB. Walk-in access only. Map Sheet 47

**Wilber Reservoir #1:** Saline County, 2.6 acres, 6th and Shimerda steets, Wilber. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, GSF, LMB. Lake drained for renovation until 2019. Map Sheet 44

**Wild Plum:** Lancaster County, 16 acres, 1½N, ½W, of Kramer. BLG, CCF, LMB. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Owned by Lower Platte South NRD. Map Sheet 43

**FEL A Wildwood Lake:** Lancaster County, 103 acres, 1W, 1½N of Agnew. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RSF, WAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit; channel and blue catfish - catch-and-release. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Primitive camping. Accessible deck. Owned by Lower Platte South NRD. Map Sheet 42

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- William Gilmour/Tobacco Island WMA (Missouri River):** Cass County, ½E, 1S of Plattsmouth. BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). *Zebra mussel infested area.* Map Sheet 48
- Wilson Creek 2X WMA:** Otoe County, 15 acres, 3E, 1½S of Otoe. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, RSF. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Owned by Nemaha NRD. Shallow. Map Sheet 48
- Wilson Creek 4F (Prairie Owl):** Otoe County, 38 acres, 2S, 1W, ¼S of Dunbar. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Owned by Nemaha NRD (NRD permit required). Turbid. Map Sheet 48
- Wirth Brothers Lake:** Johnson County, 1W, 3S, 1W of Cook. BBH, BLG, CCF, LMB. Owned by Nemaha NRD (NRD entry permit required). Concrete boat ramp. Boating restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Lake leaks, level fluctuates. Primitive camping. Map Sheet 49
- Wolf Wildcat No. 12:** Gage County, 42 acres, 7S of Virginia. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Owned by Lower Big Blue NRD. Primitive boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Primitive camping. Heavy aquatic vegetation may restrict shore fishing. Map Sheet 44
- Yankee Hill Lake WMA:** Lancaster County, 208 acres, 2½E, 1S of Denton. BBH, BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE, WHB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Accessible concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map Sheet 43
- Zorinsky Lake Recreation Area:** Douglas County, 255 acres, Omaha, 156th and F streets. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, MUE, WAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Owned by City of Omaha. Open 5 a.m.-11 p.m. Accessible fishing deck. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). *Suspect lake for zebra mussels.* Map Sheet 47

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